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Labor party choice

Peres still the leader

TEL AVIV —

If opinion polls are correct, Shimon Peres will be Israel's next Prime Minister.

Peres, leader of the opposition Labor Party, crushed his rival, Yitzhak Rabin, in a leadership convention here last week. Surveys indicate that Labor will defeat the ruling Likud coalition in the fortcoming election.

Defence minister when Rabin was Prime Minister, Peres has had an illustrious career. In the 1950s, as a protege of David Ben-Gurion, Peres helped fashion Israel's alliance with France, which later collapsed. Peres was director-general of the ministry of defence for several years.

He was elected to the Knesset in 1969 and served as minister of transportation a year later.

Peres and Rabin have been on poor terms since the latter succeeded Golda Meir as Prime Minister. When Rabin was forced to resign as a result of a scandal, Peres took over the Labor Party. It is said that he rebuilt it after its electoral loss to Likud in 1977.

Last year, Rabin published his memoirs and in them castigated Peres as a "liar and political scoundrel." Peres has said Rabin will not get a seat in his cabinet unless he apologizes for the slurs upon his character.

In a related development, the Labor Party announced that its platform contained new approaches to the Palestinian question.

Shimon Peres, still the leader of Israel's Labor Party

The platform proposes peace negotiations with any Palestinian who renounces terrorism and recognizes Israel. This could, in the view of observers here, break the impasse in the autonomy talks with Egypt.

Says prosecution of war criminals will take time

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO —

The light has turned amber on the prosecution of Nazi war criminals in Canada.

Appearing last week on CBC's nationwide TV program, Fifth Estate, Solicitor-General Kaplan told viewers that bringing war criminals to justice is not as easy as he originally thought when he took office last March — and that it will all take time.

In a manner that conveyed both resolution — and yet vagueness — Kaplan said the reason the government is not giving either a red or green light to bringing war criminals to trial is that there is a sticky problem of defining how to prosecute them.

Legislators frankly don't know — or are not ready to say if they know — whether the Canadian legal system has the machinery it needs to prosecute war criminals.

And there is no way the government is going to encourage the RCMP to nab these war criminals until it knows what it can do with them, once it has them.

Somewhat defensively, Kaplan said: "I won't apologize for how long this is taking. It is not lost time . . . and in the meantime," he added, they (the war criminals) have something to think about too."

Kaplan said new proposals would soon be revealed as a result of the work done by an inter-ministerial committee from at least five different government departments such as citizenship, immigration, external affairs, justice and the solicitor-general.

Kaplan shied away from saying what these proposals are all about, but he emphasized that "there will be no witch hunts" in the process.

When asked why the Canadian government appeared to be stalling when the U.S. government agency, known as the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), investigated 500 cases in the last year and prosecuted 16 people, Kaplan protested there are fundamental differences in U.S. and Canada laws that inhibit prosecution here.

He pointed out that in the U.S. there is a 5-year old statute which says that any naturalized citizen who falsifies information on his citizenship papers can have his or her citizenship revoked.

On these grounds alone, Kaplan said, the OSI has filed suit to strip six persons of their citizenship because they concealed their past when asked about former Nazi connections.

In contrast, when the Canadian government grants

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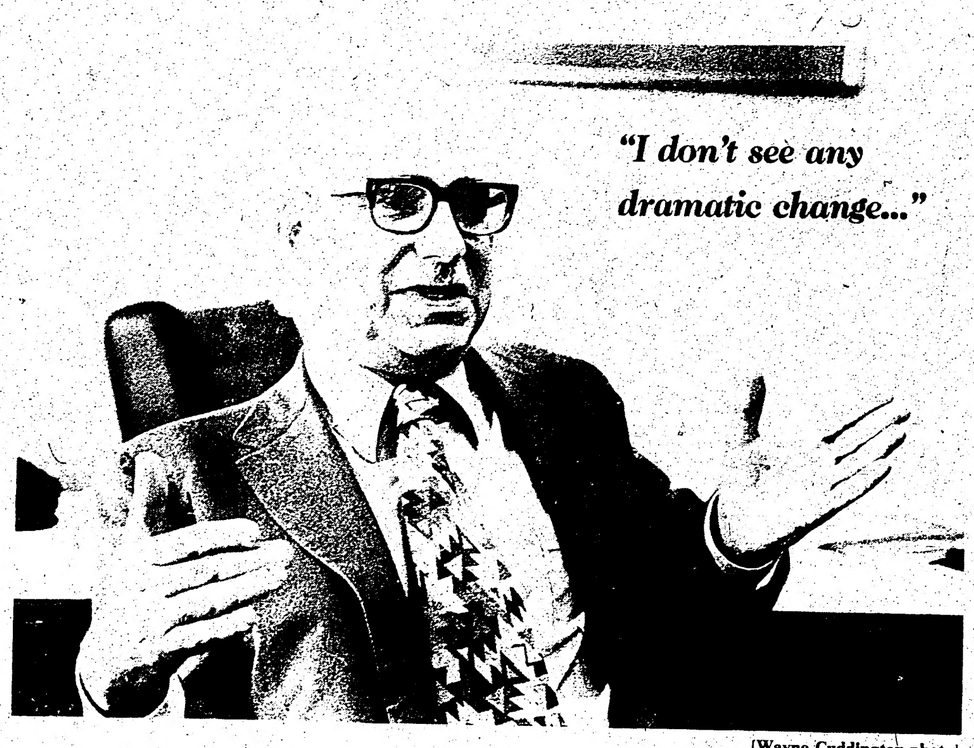

"I don't see any dramatic change..."

[Wayne Cuddington photo]

Michael Shenstone, director-general of the Bureau of African and Middle Eastern Affairs.

Canadian support for Israel will continue firm in future

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

OTTAWA —

Canada's ranking diplomat specializing in the Middle East doesn't believe that Canada will adopt a less sympathetic attitude toward Israel just because of its desire to deepen its commercial relations with the Arab world.

Michael Shenstone, director-general of the Bureau of African and Middle Eastern Affairs, in the department of external affairs, said in a year-end interview that Canada seeks good bilateral ties with Israel and the Arab nations.

Seated in front of a detailed map of the region he knows so well, the former ambassador to Saudi Arabia predicted that Canada would develop its economic links with the Arabs in a "substantive" manner.

But Shenstone, who accompanied Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau to the Middle East late in 1980, said he didn't expect such relations to lead to a "different political policy."

He remarked: "I don't think Canadians would want that."

Shenstone, 52, said that Canada's attitude is such that "sympathy for Israel will remain in place."

He added: "I don't see any dramatic change in the quality of Canada's relations with Israel and the Arab countries."

In related comments, Shenstone expressed optimism that the longstanding dispute between Palestinian nationalism and the Zionist movement can be solved.

But Canada, he emphasized, was not prepared to take a position on the exact contours of any solution.

The veteran diplomat, whose overseas posts have included Cairo and Beirut, said he thought a comprehensive settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict "is in the cards."

"We won't see a comprehensive settlement in the short run, but within one, five or 10 years the possibility of a durable and fair Arab-Israeli agreement exists."

Shenstone admitted he was no longer pessimistic about the prospects for peace, following Anwar Sadat's historic trip to Israel in 1977 and the subsequent Israeli-Egyptian treaty signed two years later.

"Like everyone else, I was surprised and thrilled by Sadat's Jerusalem trip, the (Israeli) response to it and the breakthrough that has followed."

Shenstone suggested he was not overly worried about the rejection by almost every Arab government of the Camp David accords, and the impasse between Israel and Egypt in the autonomy talks.

"Sure, the peace process is stalled and it hasn't gone as fast as it should have. But we mustn't lose sight of the woods for the trees."

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Who runs the Middle East division in the department of external affairs? What are their backgrounds? Do they make policy? See page 5 for details.

UN votes on Israeli withdrawal

NEW YORK —

Canada voted against a United Nations resolution demanding a complete and unconditional Israeli withdrawal from the occupied areas, at the UN General Assembly in mid-December.

Canada joined 15 other nations in voting against this resolution, which also reaffirmed the right of the Palestinians to self-determination, and requested the Security Council to meet "to consider the situation and the adoption of effective measures" against Israel under the provisions of the UN charter.

An official spokesman in the press office of Canada's department of external affairs, explained that Canada voted against the resolution because it "would impose a settlement not agreed to by the parties concerned and would run counter to resolutions 242 and 338, as well as the ongoing negotiations."

In addition to Canada, the following nations cast a negative vote on this resolution: Israel, U.S., Australia, Belgium, Britain, Denmark, Dominican Republic, West Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, New Zealand and Norway.

Thirty-two nations abstained and 98 backed the resolution.

Canada supported a second resolution censuring Israel for last summer's legislation declaring Jerusalem to be its capital. The vote was 143 to 1, with Israel being the only country to oppose it. The Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Malawi and the U.S. abstained.

The spokesman explained that "Canada voted for the resolution because we support its thrust that Israel should not have unilaterally enacted its basic law on Jerusalem which proclaims the city as a single unit as capital of Israel.

"Canada's view is that the future of Jerusalem cannot be decided by unilateral actions but should be settled by negotiations in context of the overall peace settlement.

The spokesman added that "a vote on the resolution is a reaffirmation of the long-established Canadian position reflected in our affirmative votes on the resolutions in 1967 concerning unilateral Israeli actions taken at that time regarding the city."

Winnipeg endorses Rights Charter

By ABRAHAM ARNOLD

WINNIPEG —

The issue of bringing home the Canadian constitution with an entrenched Charter of Rights has been the subject of almost as much discussion in Winnipeg recently as it has been in Ottawa.

Earlier in December, a panel of five justices of the Manitoba Court of Appeal heard arguments for and against the claim of the Manitoba government that Ottawa has no right to repatriate and change the constitution without provincial consent. Two of the Appeal Court justices hearing the case (the decision has been reserved) were Chief Justice Samuel Freedman and Mr. Justice Roy Matas, both active members of the Jewish community.

While the court case has received widespread press coverage, what is not so well known outside Winnipeg is that a committee of the Manitoba legislature has been holding hearings on the constitution and a delegation representing the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council and Canadian Jewish Congress presented a brief clearly supporting the idea of an entrenched Charter of Rights.

The Jewish community delegation included, among others, Marjorie Blankstein, WJCC president and Congress regional chairman; Abe Anhang, WJCC legal counsel and constitution committee chairman; Yude Henteleff, a Winnipeg lawyer recently named to the Canadian Human Rights Commission; and David Matas, Manitoba's representative on the Congress national committee on the constitution. Matas is also chairman of the constitution committee of the Canadian Bar Association and a member of the Canadian delegation to the United Nations.

Mrs. Blankstein emphasized the historical Jewish experience with persecution and anti-semitism as important reasons for the entrenchment of human rights. She said if the rights of Jews are violated "it becomes easier to violate the rights of other Canadians — Blacks, Native People, women, the handicapped, the elderly."

The brief presented to a Commons-Senate committee by Congress in support of entrenchment (see The CJN Dec. 18) was circulated to members of the Manitoba committee. Mrs. Blankstein pointed out that the Congress national brief proposes "deletions and changes" to the federal government's proposals.

David Matas then spoke for the WJCC delegation in favor of the entrenchment of a Charter of Rights and Freedoms in the constitution. He was, in fact, arguing against all the points advanced by Manitoba's Premier Stirling Lyon in opposing an entrenched charter.

In answer to the argument that legislatures are better able to protect rights and freedoms than an entrenched charter, Matas declared: "The Charter protects the very existence of a democratically elected legislature."

Democracy would be meaningless, he said, without freedom of expression, universal sufferage and freedom of assembly. In protest-

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Ray Wolfe is appointed Member, Order of Canada

OTTAWA —

Ray D. Wolfe, a prominent member of the Toronto Jewish community, has been appointed a Member of the Order of Canada. The announcement came last week from Government House.

Wolfe is chairman of the board of The Canadian Jewish News, chairman of the Oshawa Group Ltd. and IGA Canada Ltd. and honorary president of the Canadian Friends of Haifa University.

Others honored include geneticist Dr. Louis Siminovitch of Toronto, named an officer of the Order of Canada; labor advisor Kalmen Kaplansky, Ottawa, and Lazar Peters, executive director of the Montreal Dress and Sportswear Manufacturers Guild, both appointed as Members.

Emigration from Soviet down by 50% — state-inspired anti-semitism is intensified

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

A study published by Canadian Jewish Congress giving detailed case histories of almost 500 Jews who were refused their right to leave the Soviet Union under the Helsinki Final Act was presented to the review conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe being held in Madrid.

The 600-page study concludes that in the past five years the Soviet government has "repeatedly and with impunity violated both the provisions and spirit of the CSCE.

"Those citizens of the USSR who have acted in full accord with the Final Act have met with a concerted campaign by the government of the USSR to stifle their voices."

The study was disclosed by CJC national president Irwin Cotler during the public sessions of the Madrid conference and will be conveyed to the Soviet government, he said, by friendly delegations.

At a press conference here following his recent return from Madrid, Cotler noted that Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union is down 50% this year from 1979. Figures for recent months are only 30% of what they were last year at this time. For example, he said, in August 1979, 4,000 Jews left the Soviet Union, while in August 1980 only 770 did so.

Irwin Cotler [centre], flanked by Alan Rose [left] and Erol Araf, outlines Soviet violations of human rights.

Moreover, as the study sets out to prove, there is no valid reason for the Soviets' refusal to allow these Jews to emigrate, and most have suffered because of their wish to leave.

High among the humanitarian issues covered by the 1975 Helsinki Final Act stands the reunification of families, as well as more far-reaching provisions on freedom of movement between countries.

The Soviet government has ignored the freedom of movement provision, and applies restrictions governing the degree of kinship for family reunification — restrictions which are not found in the Final Act, says the CJC study.

More worrying is the intensification of state-inspired anti-semitism in the Soviet Union, said Cotler. There is a fear, he said — as was expressed by a member of the French delegation — that now that all of the 40-odd members of the Soviet committee monitoring compliance of the Helsinki Final Act have been either arrested or exiled, the Soviets will "go after the Jews," and the Victor Brailovsky case may be the beginning of a widespread assault on the Soviet Jewry movement.

Brailovsky, a 45-year-old computer scientist who held weekly scientific seminars in his Moscow apartment — frequently attended by Europeans and North Americans — was arrested and imprisoned the opening day of the Madrid conference in November.

Canada's indictment of Soviet anti-semitism was one of the strongest at Madrid, said Cotler.

Cotler announced that he will act as legal counsel to Brailovsky. He is currently defending several other Jewish prisoners of conscience, including Anatoly Scharansky, Ida Nudel, Vladimir Slepak and Yosif Mendelevich. He attended the Madrid Conference in his capacity as their legal counsel. He was joined there by members of the families of several of these prisoners, including Brailovsky's brother, Mikhail, who now lives in Israel.

Although Canada did not depart at Madrid from its policy of not publicly "naming names" of specific cases of those who have been denied their human rights in the Soviet Union, Cotler said he had been assured by the Canadian delegation that it will bring up the Nudel and Scharansky case in its bilateral discussions with the Soviets. After a meeting with Mikhail Brailovsky, the Canadian delegation head, Ambassador Louis Rodgers, agreed also to mention the Brailovsky case.

Cotler said he was encouraged by non-aligned Sweden's and Britain's mention of Brailovsky at the conference. At the Belgrade review conference in 1977 only the United States publicly cited individual cases of violations.

France, which Cotler said has been particularly outspoken on Soviet non-compliance with the human rights provisions of the Final Act, has promised to take up the case of Mendelevich, one of only three Jews still imprisoned who were sentenced at the 1970 Leningrad trials.

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[Godfrey Hall photo]

BREAKING GROUND

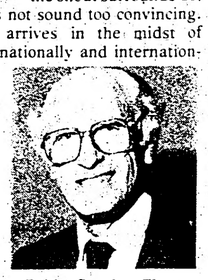
Confined to a wheelchair since she broke her hip in a fall earlier this year, Irene Benario is assisted by building committee chairman David Burman as she puts first shovel into the ground for new Hamilton Jewish Home for the Aged. See story on page 14.

World-National

The new year dawns on a variety of concerns

By RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

"Happy New Year!" — the shout surrounds us, but I am afraid it does not sound too convincing. The new civic year arrives in the midst of deepening anxieties, nationally and internationally. At least it's a season of making resolves and expressing hopes and that in itself may improve the otherwise rather dismal climate.



Rabbi Gunther Plaut

Jewish concerns range across the globe. We are a compassionate people, merciful children of the All-Merciful. But somehow I sense that we are reaching an emotional limit . . . that the sharp edge of empathy has been blunted. I worry about this, and I worry especially about it at home.

In plain English: I don't see Jews concerning themselves with social issues in their communities as keenly as they should. If we are to have any chance of making it decently through 1981 we must enhance the quality of Canadian life.

To be sure, we take care of our own first and foremost. For if we don't, who will — Hillel said it long ago and he says it to us again and again. However, he also reminded us that we cannot be for ourselves alone. Our responsibility extends to the society in which we live. Improving the quality of Canadian life is an essential aspect of Jewish obligation.

A case in point is the introduction, by the government of Ontario, of a revised Human Rights Code. I regret to say that this long awaited and long overdue piece of legislation has been met with thundering silence from the average citizen. Special interest groups, of course, have paid attention: the handicapped (who will now be protected), visible minorities (who will have increased advocacy status in the Human Rights Commission), women (whose rights will be extended), and homosexuals (who continue to be excluded from special protection).

This is the kind of subject which — like the proposed Canadian constitution — should elicit everyone's attention. But where I have been people don't even know that a Code which will affect everyone's rights is in the legislative hopper. Of all the people who should get excited about it, we should, first and foremost.

Why? Because the bill deals with justice and justice is, since olden days, something about which we have deeply cared.

Or have we here, too, lost the edge of concern?

Can we afford to be disinterested because, as a group, we have made it? Would we have greeted this kind of legislation with communal silence if it had been introduced 30 years ago? The answer is self-evident: we would have welcomed its introduction, debated its points, expressed our worry over one proposition and our elation over another.

And now? Neither negative comment nor position endorsement. Shall the politicians conclude, then, that we really don't care? Or that we care only if we perceive a direct threat to our own security?

Fortunately, there are a few of our leaders who understand the implications of such detachment. We find them in Toronto and Montreal, in Winnipeg and Vancouver, and wherever our people live. In the smaller communities, in fact, our civic concerns are usually much more vigorously expressed; in the large centres we tend to be more isolated and isolationist.

The year 1981 will have a better chance if we look to improving the quality of life in our home communities. Voting in civic, provincial and national elections isn't quite enough. There is more to it than that.

Italian Jews contribute quietly

ROME (JTA) —

In silence, and with no desire for publicity, Jews all over Italy have been sending help to earthquake stricken towns in southern Italy. As of Dec. 8, 38 tons of new clothes, box loads of food, and a thousand heavy blankets bought by the Rome Jewish community were sent ahead on three trucks and deliverd at the Nocera Inferiore and another distribution centre.

Five trailers were contributed — three by the Rome community, one by the Naples Jewish community, and one by HIAS, with money collected entirely among its staff in Rome.

The Jewish population of Rome which totals about 16,000, including children, managed to collect about 18 million lire at donation centres set up in the Jewish schools and other institutions in the city.

Individual Roman Jewish shop owners donated wholesale quantities of badly needed clothing and undergarments with heartfelt generosity. Other badly needed items, such as heaters for tents and trailers, were bought with cash donations.

The major Jewish organizations with offices in Rome (HIAS, JDC, ORT and the Jewish Agency) contributed $100,000 of which $30,000 came from the JDC alone. Staff members of all these Jewish organizations contributed an average of two days salary each.

Perhaps most moving of all were the offers of help that came from Soviet Jewish refugees in transit in Rome — those bedraggled families awaiting passports to continue their emigration to the U.S., Canada and Australia.

Physicians among the Soviet Jews here offered medical aid to the victims while others offered to go to the stricken towns and help dig among the ruins in the hopes of saving lives. But they received no reply from the Italian government. Many among the Soviet Jewish colony have donated blood.

Last week a truck, packed with clothes and food bought with money donated by Roman Jews, left the capital to meet with the trailer departing from the Naples Jewish community. They headed for the tiny mountain town of Calitri, south of Naples. The town was selected because the president of the Naples Jewish community has friends there to ensure that the gifts arrived at their destination without being hijacked by road bandits.

These spontaneous, concrete acts of solidarity on the part of Italian Jews with the earthquake victims are being carried out quietly, one might almost say "clandestinely" and anonymously. When JTA asked members of the staff of the Rome Jewish community and the Union of Italian Jewish Communities why no news items were being printed about Italian Jewish contributions, the news agency was told: "It's not important that others know, what's important is that we act. It's Chanukah time. Let's say these are our special mitzvot for Chanukah."

Donald Cohen [right], U.S. army chaplain, helps distribute food supplies to quake victims. Italy's Jews gave quietly. Matzot were given to help fill a desperate shortage of crackers.

But another, more bitter truth surfaced. Choosing the way of silence was deliberate on the part of Italian Jewry, based on past experience. Apparently, immediately after the 1976 earthquake in the Friuli region, in which 1,000 people died, the Union of Italian Jewish Communities sent a sum of 15 million lire.

Thereupon, a flood of angry letters descended on the union's office in Rome, all to the effect that the sum contributed was considered a "miserly" amount in consideration of the fact that Italian Jews were amongst "the wealthiest people in the nation."

"There is so much misinformation circulating about us," said one Jewish community director. "In recent surveys we discoverd that the average Italian thinks the Jews in Italy number up to two or three million when in reality we amount to a total population of 35,000, about half that number in Rome and the rest scattered in Milan, Turin, Naples and smaller towns. The Italian people really think we 'control' large sections of Italy's finances. They don't know how we have to struggle to keep our community budgets from falling into a permanent state of deficit," the community director said.

Police are pioneers in crime-fighting strategies

Statistics reveal increase in crime in Israel

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Meir Dizengoff, the first mayor of Tel Aviv, said jokingly once that crime would no doubt be a sign of normality in the Jewish state.

David Ben-Gurion, Israel's first Prime Minister, dismissed prostitution with a similar shrug. "That's a symbol of economic development," he reportedly said when informed that streetwalkers were no longer a novelty in Tel Aviv.

If Dizengoff and Ben-Gurion could be apprised of the extent of crime in Israel today, they would undoubtedly turn over in their graves. Crime, which was relatively rare a generation or two ago, is no laughing matter anymore.

To the regret of officials, Jews are as capable as anyone else of committing crimes, be they minor or major.

Statistics released late last year by the police tell the story remorselessly. Crime jumped by 8.1% in 1979 compared to 1978. Senior police officers warn that the figure will increase while police manpower levels decrease.

Last year, police handled 230,622 criminal cases in the following categories: 79% were property offences, 7.3% public disturbances, 5.4% fraud, 5.4% bodily injury and 8.1% drugs. The highest percentage increase was in stolen car parts cases, which numbered 34,748.

The number of criminal files opened by the police in the last five years has risen three times faster than the population, say officials.

While Israelis are concerned about these statistics, they are most worried about the upsurge of violent crimes such as murder, rape and kidnapping.

The murder rate has increased, and the country has been hit by a spate of rape cases. Kidnappings are comparatively uncommon. But in a country the size of Israel, one dramatic kidnapping is enough to shock sensibilities.

Worse still, there is strong reason to believe that organized crime has infected Israel. Journalists and politicians have charged that the police have consistently underestimated the scale of the underworld's acitivities. In the summer, Yediot Ahronot, the Tel Aviv daily, ran a headline that read: "Police Intelligence Not Worthy of the Name."

Certainly, police seem to be unable to stop the outbreak of extremely violent bank robberies and the wave of car bombings.

Of late bank robbers, flaunting stolen machine guns from army stores, have shot their way out of tight situations, killing and maiming innocent bystanders. Gone are the days, it seems, when a bank robber would exact only cold cash.

In the summer months of 1980, car bombings were commonly used by criminals to eliminate competing drug peddlers or to silence witnesses and informers. The phenomenon, reminiscent of Chicago gangland killings of the 1920s and 1930s, was particularly common in Jaffa.

In fact, the situation in Jaffa and environs was so alarming in general that the commander of the district made a sombre prediction. If manpower levels were not augmented, he warned, the underworld would take over Jaffa.

The commander, Avraham Musafia, sounded this warning: "The number of policemen (in Jaffa) has been steadily decreasing. The workload of those left is so heavy that they are bending under its weight. No matter how hard my men try, they cannot fulfil their duties."

The incidence of murders, burglaries and muggings were rising, he said.

As well, the amount of hard drugs reaching the market in recent years is up, even though a study by the ministry of education shows that the use of drugs among Israeli youth is low in comparison with youngsters in Western Europe and North America.

The study revealed that 2.3% of state school pupils and 8.5% of vocational school pupils had used drugs. Drug use among students of the same age in Western European countries ranged from 20% to 40%.

In the face of surging levels of crime, Israel's police force is receiving mixed reports for efficiency.

Policemen are said to be underpaid and overworked, with the result that the force apparently attracts few educated men and women. Consequently, Israeli police have long been depicted in jokes as a bunch of bunglers.

In spite of their poor image, the police have performed credibly at times. Thirty percent of all crimes are solved, a relatively high figure by Western standards. But critics contend that this compares with a 35% rate of solutions five years ago.

Circumstances have forced the police to become pioneers in crime-fighting strategies. But only a handful of Israelis realize that, prompting the deputy commander of Israel's police, Meir Abaraham, to note ruefully: "We're probably much more highly thought of outside the country."

Despite the ingenious devices the police invent — a mechanical bomb sniffer, for example — the probability is that crime will continue its upward spiral.

As the benefits of materialism seep into Israeli society, and as the gap between poor and well-off grows, the prognostication is that crime will increase.

The byproducts of Zionism, whose founders sought to create a normal society in the resurrected Jewish homeland, aren't always predictable or desirable, much to everyone's regret.

Over one-third plenary resolutions implemented, committees make representation to the government

By SUSAN LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

More than a third of the resolutions passed at last May's Canadian Jewish Congress plenary assembly have been implemented by CJC national officers, according to a report presented at a recent national executive meeting.

A record 55 resolutions was passed by delegates at the 1980 plenary — more then double the number passed in 1977.

Of the resolutions passed, close to 40% have been "given consideration with a course of action determined and initiated" by national officers, the report noted.

Almost as large a percentage of resolutions (38%) have been "referred to an appropriate CJC committee for action" with a further 16% of the resolutions under consideration with the "best course of action yet to be determined."

Only 9% of the resolutions, says the report, are pro forma, meaning they are statements "of principle or constitutional requirements necessitating no further action."

Ranging from the Jewish disabled to Ethiopian Jewry to small Jewish communities, the implemented resolutions reflect the concerns — both domestic and international — of the Canadian Jewish community.

According to CJC president Irwin Cotler, who began his 3-year term at the close of the plenary, "the plenary assembly resolutions represent, in large measure the constitutional mandate of and for Jewish community.

"Almost 40% of the resolutions," Cotler noted, "have already been implemented and a significant number are in the process of being implemented. We intend to fulfil our mandate consistent with budgetary resources.

"We are off to a very good start and intend to continue."

CJC committees have made a number of representations to Canadian government officials and have presented briefs to various parliamentary committees in the implementation of resolutions.

These include:

- A brief to a parliamentary committee on the Jewish disabled by the law and social action committee.
- Representation to Solicitor-General Robert Kaplan on alleged Nazi war criminals residing in Canada, resulting in a promise by Kaplan to act.
- A number of meetings with External Affairs Minister Mark MacGuigan about human rights violations in the Soviet Union as well as the current plight of various Jewish Refuseniks prior to the ongoing East-West meeting in Madrid at which the Canadian government is speaking out more strongly than ever before.
- Significant progress being made on the status of Jews in oppressed countries, including discussions with Canadian government officials on aiding Ethiopian (Falasha) Jewry.

As well, in more domestic concerns, although tabling a resolution on Canadian unity, Congress created the CJC select committee on the constitution. Reprtesentatives of the committee, chaired by Montreal lawyer and former dean of the McGill Law School Maxwell Cohen, presented a 50-page brief to a parliamentary committee.

Congress has also implemented a number of resolutions covering small Jewish communities in Canada.

Although budgetary constraints have kept CJC from following through on all requests by small communities, a small communities department has been established — as was resolved, and co-chairmen have been appointed.

The task force on small communities headed by David Attis of Moncton and Orin Krivel of Regina has presented to the Congress national executive a lengthy report detailing small community needs and plans of action to meet those needs (CJN, Dec. 18).

In other matters, resolutions on youth activities, the Arab boycott, the national archives and Argentinian Jewry have also acted upon.

Other resolutions on concerns such as energy, Yiddish publications, Holocaust studies, the election of officers, cults and missionary groups, Jewish day schools and Zionist programming are either under consideration or have been referred to the appropriate committee.

Stratford appoints Hirsch

STRATFORD, Ont. —

John Hirsch has been named artistic director for the next three years of the Stratford Festival — the most prestigious post in Canadian theatrical circles.

The position was offered first to British director John Dexter but Dexter was not able to secure an immigration permit to work in Canada and a search committee recommended Hirsch, who has directed at Stratford in the past. Stratford's board of governors agreed unanimously.

Hirsch immigrated to Winnipeg from Hungary after World War II when he was 17 and became part of a Jewish family which helped integrate him into Canadian life. He became involved in the theatre in Winnipeg and in 1956 co-founded the Manitoba Theatre Centre with Tom Hendry.

John Hirsch, Stratford's new artistic director.

He went to Stratford in 1965 and from 1975 to 1978 was head of CBC television drama, where he introduced such smash hits as the King of Kensington.

His awards include the Order of Canada, the off-Broadway Obie as best director for the year (1970), and the Los Angeles Drama Critics Award (1975).

Soviet-inspired anti-semitism is intensified

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Cotler said the arrest of Brailovsky, who first applied to emigrate in 1972, is a "litmus test of detente; detente must be a two-way street, or there can be no effective detente."

Representations were made by Cotler and the relatives of Brailovsky, Slepak, Nudel and Mendelevich to the heads of some 15 delegations, including those of Britain, France and the United States. All expressed a willingness to mention these prisoners' cases in their discussions with the Soviets, he said.

Cotler also noted that an international group of scientists, led by French Nobel laureate Andre Lwolff, and several European parliamentarians, some from signatory countries to the Final Act, staged protests on behalf of Brailovsky.

In addition, Cotler, at the request of the International Committee on Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat credited with saving the lives of 25,000 Hungarian Jews during World War II, raised the question of Wallenberg's fate at Madrid.

A commemorative meeting for Wallenberg, who "disappeared" while imprisoned by the Soviet Union, will be held in Montreal Feb. 7, Cotler said. Representatives of the Canadian and Swedish governments are expected to attend.

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ORT Centennial Medal presented to 12 leaders in technical education

OTTAWA —

Governor - General Edward R. Schreyer recently presented the ORT Centennial Medal to 12 Canadians in recogniton of their "outstanding contributions to the field of vocational and technical education." The presentation took place at Government House.

The Governor-General and Mrs. Schreyer conferred the medals on Douglas Allan Bovee, Edmonton; Shirley Carr, Ottawa; Nigel Florida, Ottawa; Jack Hahn, Toronto; Harry Halton, Montreal; Rev. Pere Celestin Marcotte, Quebec City; W. Darrell Mills, Dartmouth, N.S.; Walter George Pitman and Sidney S. Schipper, both of Toronto; Robert N. Scott, Fredericton, and Hank Van der Aa of Dorval, Que.

A medal was also given posthumously to the late Mrs. Elsie Gregory MacGill.

Dr. Victor Goldbloom, who was chairman of the honoree program committee said that "Canadian ORT is proud to be able to give recognition to such varied and exceptional contributions to the education and welfare of others."

Sitting on the selection committee were former federal cabinet minister Barney Danson; Freda Paltiel, senior advisor on the status of women for the department of health and welfare; Jack Hahn, professional engineer and fellow of the Engineering Institute of Canada, and Mrs. Phyllis Waxman, past president of the Women's Federation of Allied Jewish Community Services.

Criteria for selection stressed an individual who:

- has made a notable contribution in his/her trade in Canada or a developing country.
- has either developed, researched or established a program showing originality in term of a particular training technique or project.
- has undertaken new initiatives in his/her field of endeavor by developing or establishing a skill-training program showing originality.

The medal was struck by the Candian ORT to mark the 100th anniversary of the World ORT Union. World ORT is the world's largest non-profit, non-governmental vocational and technical education and training system, with headquarters in London. Since its inception in Czarist Russia 100 years ago, it has trained more than a million students. ORT presently pursues activities in 26 countries.

A. Lyone Heppner is national president of Canadian ORT. Chairman of the national centenary committee is Edward Bronfman.

The medal was designed by Canadian artist Tobie Steinhouse and executed by David Kucer.

Governor-General and Mrs. Schreyer pose with the 12 recipients of the ORT Centennial medal.

Ryerson's president makes decisions, instead of advising others, he says

By SHELDON KIRHSNER

TORONTO —

Last March, Bernard Ostry, then deputy minister of communications, told an associate professor he knew in Ottawa that the presidency of Toronto's Ryerson Polytechnical Institute was about to become vacant.

Ostry, one of Ottawa's top mandarins, suggested that his friend apply for the post. Brian Segal, the son of a Montreal taxi driver, took his advice. Five months later, following several grueling interviews and personality checks, Segal got the good news.

He was Ryerson's president-to-be, the first Jew who would assume that task.

"Obviously, the board of governors chose the best person," he says. "Religion didn't enter into it. My Jewishness has always been something I've been proud of."

An associate professor of social work at Carleton University until his appointment, Segal was officially installed as president last November. He succeeded Walter Pitman, who resigned to become the executive director of the Ontario Arts Council.

Thirty seven years old, and the father of three, Segal claims he never had his sights set on such a prestigious job. "I wish I was that capable of planning the future but I'm not. I've always believed that when an opportunity arises, let's play that one out and see what happens."

Ryerson, which offers 33 day programs in arts, applied arts, business, community services and technology, has 10,000 day students and 27,000 night students. Its graduates work in laboratories, offices, newspapers, hospitals, libraries, industrial plants, hotels and so on.

[Ben Lechtman photo]

Brian Segal, new Ryerson president.

Segal, a neat, diminutive man given to pipe-smoking, doesn't feel he's had to make a wrenching adjustment from professor to president.

For years, he was a management consultant outside the classroom, acquiring the tools which will now serve him in good stead. "I was prepared to take on the job," he says.

Since the early 1970s he's completed reports for the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corp., the Canadian Film Developpment Corp., the department of communications, and a couple of Ontario ministries.

For two years, he was a senior policy advisor at the National Museums of Canada, holding the rank of assistant deputy minister. For one year, he was acting director of strategic planning, the department of secretary of state.

With many academic and policy papers to his credit, Segal is now writing a book on what he calls "public policy and strategic choices." As in the past, he labors over private projects after hours.

Since November, Segal's life has changed. "On a professional level, I work on one set of problems instead of many," he explains. "I make decisions instead of advising others."

In Ottawa, Segal used to spend two nights a week out of town on freelance assignments. Today, he spends that time with his family rather than in lonely hotel rooms.

But in one respect, one facet of his routine has not changed: the number of hours he works. He still puts in 12- and 13-hour days.

Segal, a graduate of McGill, Yeshiva and the University of Pittsburgh, is presently in the midst of "shaping" his $60,000-plus a year job.

He's in charge of Ryerson's five-year fund raising campaign, "Developing for the Eighties," whose goal is $6 million. To date $1.5 million has been raised.

Segal's also looking at the possibility of generating revenue through applied research projects. For example, he'd like to develop a centre of micro-electronic research.

Academically, Segal wants to integrate overlapping courses. That'll make more sense from the student's point of view, and save additional scarce funds.

Last, though not least, he hopes Ryerson can play a relevant role in supplying Canada with the skilled workers it currently lacks.

"There is a need for a very strong linkage between what we're teaching and what people are expected to do on the job," he says. "There is a definite lack of manpower training in highly specialized technical fields.

"If industry can't find it here, they'll have to import it. You just can't have a high unemployment rate and still import these people.

"The leading edge of industrial strategy cannot come to fruition if the manpower is not prepared, and there is an extremely important role for a polytechnic to play in that area."

In the 1980s, he adds, technology will supply an ever increasing number of jobs. And the Jewish community, among others, will have to come to terms with this emerging reality. Parents who push their children to study law, dentistry or medicine may very well be forced to reorient their thinking.

"There are other options out there," says Segal.

Contracted for five years, Segal believes all these objectives can be accomplished if he has the support of Ryerson's board and the community at large. "My greatest weakness is my optimism," he observes.

As Segal settles down in his new job, his wife, Bunny, who has been at home with the children for the last decade, embarks on a search for employment. She has an MA in social work.

But she can forget about landing work at Ryerson, her husband says. It would be a conflict of interest if the president's wife was on the faculty, and it might rile their relationship. As Segal puts it: "Listen, there's no way my wife would ever work for me!"

Living Halacha

By RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

Question: Some of us have been invited "to ring out the old, and ring in the new." Can we join them in such celebration? Is Jan. 1 a secular holiday?

The Talmud tells us that there are four New Year days in the Jewish year. Apparently some people would like to give us yet another New Year day to celebrate . . . one in which we can put on funny paper hats, blow horns, make noise and go wild on Jan. 1. But, this cannot be. Some of our societies may find it an excellent way to raise funds. Who will not be ready to take out at least $25 to partake in all that revelry? But, that does not make it kosher.

Rabbi Moses Burak.

Even if there were no obvious religious nuances in such an observance, it has no place in Jewish life. Long ago, we were told in Hosea 9:1, "Rejoice not, Israel, exultingly, as the peoples. . . ." We who have suffered so much, whose people were burned in the crematoria of Nazi Germany and Poland, we may not drink of the waters of forgetfulness. The midnight hour for us is an hour of mourning, an hour when one sits on the ground saying Tikkun Chatzos, mourning the destruction of the Beth Ha-Mikdash and all the other holy houses, and all the other godly men whose homes were temples.

Mind blowing is not for us. This was codified into law in Chapter 560:3 of the Code Orach Chaim which forbids music with wine at celebrations except for a mitzva. The revelry of New Year's Eve is far from a mitzva.

There is another, more painful aspect, to consider in answering the question whether Jan. 1 is a secular holiday. The day is on the religious calendar of our neighbors; it relates to the founding of the Christian religion. A boy who is born on Dec. 25 is eight days old on Jan. 1. So, a number of the classic churches observe Jan. 1 in their calendar of festivals as the day of the Nazarene's circumcision. This is based on the statement in Luke 2:21 which says: "And when the eight days were fulfilled for circumcizing him, his name was called Jesus. . . ."

In the church liturgy known as the Collect, on Jan. 1 they pray that they may be granted "the true circumcision of the spirit," as a substitute for our ritual circumcision. So too, in the Litany there is this prayer: "By thy holy nativity and circumcision . . . deliver us."

Thus, in conscience, one cannot join in these New Year celebrations without joining in the worship of something other than Judaism.

I grant you that there isn't much religion in the merrymaking which is so common on New Year's Eve, but that doesn't have an effect on the prohibition against celebrating it. Many ancient religions had rites that were far from anything that could be called religious, but those rites are forbidden to Jews.

In the worship of Mercury, a stone was thrown at the statue. That's not a very respectful thing to do. But the Mishnah, Sanhedrin 8:6 tells us "casting a stone at Mercury, that is the way of worshipping it" and it is prohibited.

Now, some people will argue that these days, Dec. 25 and Jan. 1, have nothing to do with the founding of the church. Many scholars hold that those days were pagan festivals long, long ago. The church, finding that it could not erase these holidays from the calendar, accepted them into its own schedule of feasts.

But that changes nothing for us. It gives yet another reason why we cannot join the crowd that rejoices in these holidays. We are not joiners. We are separate. We cannot, we must not celebrate pagan festivals even when they have been pleasantly disguised. Though the name has been changed, the issue remains.

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JERUSALEM —

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4 million in Israel by 1982

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

The population of Israel will reach 4 million one year from now but will amount to only 5.5 million by the end of the century, according to Dr. Moshe Sicron, the government's chief statistician.

He based his projection on the slowdown of the population growth rate in recent years to less than 2.5% per annum.

Sicron said that in terms of numbers this amounts to an annual population increase of about 90,000 a year. Most of the growth is the result of natural increase — the excess of births over deaths. Net immigration — the difference between the number of immigrants arriving and the number of Israelis departing — contributed only 30% to the growth rate.

Sicron's figures showed a decline in the birth rate over the past five years. He said it reflected "a decrease in the birth and fertility rate within both the Jewish and non-Jewish population."

Vancouver rally pays tribute to courage of Refusenik families

VANCOUVER —

A crowd of approximately 350 paid tribute to 12 Refusenik families adopted by Vancouver organizations and schools, during a recent Chanukah Celebration of Freedom, held in front of the old courthouse in downtown Vancouver. The rally was sponsored by the Canadian Jewish Congress Soviet Jewry Action committee.

As each candle was lit, a spokesman said a few words about the family or individual, and called on the Soviet government to release the family.

Barbara Shumiatcher, chairman of the committee, spoke of the courage of those still in the Soviet Union. She referred to Avital Scharansky and Ida Nudel's sister, Elena Fridman, who travelled to the human rights deliberations in Madrid to confront the Soviet delegation and demand the release of their relatives. Shumiatcher recently returned from Madrid.

Children from the local day school compared the Chanukah story to the plight of the Refuseniks. Members of the audience danced with Habonim and Network students.

Rabbi Daniel Siegel of Hillel said, as the shamash was lit in honor of Ida Nudel, that "the flame is symbolic of our hope that the light of freedom will come to our brethren in the Soviet Union . . . A little bit of light dispels a lot of darkness."

Greetings were extended from MP Pat Carney, honorary chairman of the rally, and MP John Fraser. Carney has sponsored resolutions for Ilya Essas, a Moscow Hebrew school teacher and Fraser has been active on behalf of Minsk war hero Lev Ovsisher.

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Books about the Holocaust

Tales of cruelty

Elie Wiesel, responding to the flood of books on the Holocaust written by survivors, said recently: "When no one was talking I felt it was my duty to speak; now that everyone is talking I feel it my duty to remain silent."

The famed author of "Night" and a dozen other works on the Holocaust, has kept his word. In the last several years he has restricted his art to books on the Bible, Chassidism and Soviet Jewry.

Other survivors, however, have now found their voices. Scarcely a day passes without the publishing houses receiving unsolicited manuscripts describing unspeakable personal memories. Most, of course, are rejected, politely.

Some of these authors, so anxious to have their family histories become public, pay for the costs of publication through recourse to "vanity presses." The result is that thousands of books each year tumble off the printing presses, each telling its own searing account of persecution, suffering and death.

The appearance of this genre occasions some troubling and indelicate questions. Must the reader surrender his critical and aesthetic criteria in reading this literature? Does the magnitude of the suffering experienced by the author render his work immune to the conventional forms of criticism and appreciation.

Some have argued persuasively that the answer to these questions is yes. The fact of the reportage, however inelegant, overrides considerations of artistic merit. The eyewitness testimony in all its horror is beyond mere critical judgment.

There is some plausibility to this argument. However, it rests on the presumption that the works in question retain a special value because of their historical importance as personal records of a terrible past. Thus as historical documentation they are of inestimable richness.

But do they partake of the quality of literature?

This is a more difficult question. A few undoubtedly possess this essence. There are a handful of Holocaust "novels," for want of a better term, which combine personal chronicles of torment and a literary vision which filters them across the printed page.

The vast majority of the "testimonies" are not literature — which is not to deny their intrinsic value. It lies elsewhere, in the historical archives that future ages will inspect, to learn about man's infinite capacity for cruelty.

Integrity at the UN?

The United Nations has been described as a forum for unbridled anti-Israel invective. Hardly a week passes when Israel is not excoriated, or its very existence questioned.

The line separating anti-Zionsim and anti-semitism is pretty clear cut, despite some opinion to the contrary, and until now delegates have been careful not to confuse the two.

Last month, however, two representatives breached the line and expressed views reminiscent of "The Protocols of the Elders of Zion," that notorious Russian forgery which was exposed as such in 1922.

In a heated debate on Israel's occupation of Arab territories, Hazen Nuseibeh of Jordan declared that "the representatives of the Zionist entity . . . control and manipulate and exploit the rest of humanity by controlling the wealth of the world."

Strong stuff. But Nuseibeh had just begun his onslaught. The Rothschilds and the Oppenheimer family of South Africa (converted Christians, by the way) decided on the price of gold and held a monopoly on precious metals and gems. "It is a well known fact that the Zionists are the richest people in the world and control much of its destiny."

No sooner was Nuseibeh finished than his Senegalese colleague, Falilou Kane, claimed that the Palestinian cause was distorted or ignored because news organizations are "dominated by Jews." Kane, like Nuseibeh, did not mince his words. He knew his audience at the UN might be respective to his pearls of wisdom.

Thanks to Messrs. Nuseibeh and Kane, we now know everything we ever wanted to know about the fairness, the humanity and the integrity of the UN.

Diary of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

Dec. 31, in the year 1888, marks the death of Sampson Raphael Hirsch, Germany's father of neo-Orthodoxy. His legacy of commentaries and writings remain as fresh and challenging today as when they were written, at the start of our scientific era.

Hirsch's response to the emancipation and social integration sweeping Western Europe was one of urging his congregation — from 1851, the community of Frankfort-on-Main — to adopt the principle enunciated in the Pirkei Avot by Rabbi Gamaliel, about 2,000 years earlier. This was: Torah im derech eretz — the centrality of Torah life and mitzvot combined with compatible ways of the neighboring peoples.

Samuel Holdheim, Abraham Geiger and Hirsch's other antagonists in the German community advocated significant cuts in observance, in order, in their perception, to modernize it. The end of centuries of oppression seemed at hand. Abandoning observances that tended to make their practitioners so noticeable in their neighbors' eyes seemed a reasonable price for complete social and political equality.

The dynamic and outspoken Hirsch saw in these proposed reforms, which included the annulling of several dietary and marriage prohibitions, as threatening the core of Judaism. He decried the reformers' willingness to sever their movement from the body of traditional Judaism as creating a schism detrimental to all.

The reformers' ideas were adopted by the German-Jewish leadership, which forced Hirsch himself into the painful act of withdrawing his congregation from the community at large.

Hirsch spent the rest of his life developing a pattern by which Western culture could be fused with unqualified loyalty to rigorously observed Judaism.

Within his synagogue, Hirsch initiated: a choir under the direction of a professional music conductor; congregational participation in singing; and giving sermons in the national language. He refused to direct all intellectual efforts at studying and disserting upon halacha, at the price of studying the Bible itself, and rejected casuistry.

He founded a grade and secondary school which taught, in addition to Hebrew and Jewish studies, secular subjects such as mathematics, geography, science, and the language of the land, German.

Hirsch remained steadfast in urging loyalty to the traditional observance and their moral and religious foundations. In his writings, he sought to make these intellectually satisfying to a generation university-trained in science, philosophy and humanist ethics.

His attitude, particularly to commonly misunderstood concepts, was far from apologetic.

His explanation of the chosenness of the Jews is one example. The Torah and its laws are beyond experience, he said. While the historical process would allow nations to reach certain religious truths in due course, a complete and unalterable set of these religious truths were entrusted directly with one group of people as a touchstone. The Jews were witnesses — their adherence to Judaism signaling to others the direction of progress.

Hirsch taught that humanism, as developed by classical civilizations and philosophers through the ages, was an intermediate stage, which attains its highest stage in Torah-true Judaism.

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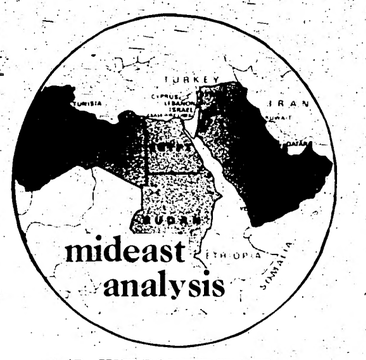
Egypt has become close strategic ally, acts as beacon of U.S. interests in Mideast



By SHELDON KIRSHNER

U.S. and Egyptian troops conducted joint maneuvers in the desert northeast of Cairo recently, highlighting the close relationship that now binds Egypt and the United States.

The maneuvers, designed to give the U.S. military practical experience in a Middle Eastern locale, involved 1,400 paratroopers of the rapid deployment force and an equal number of Egyptian troops. The exercises represented the first time that Arab troops had ever trained with their American counterparts in the Middle East. For obvious political reasons, Israel may never get a similar opportunity.

In strategic terms, Egypt has become the closest ally of the U.S. in the Middle East. Just 10 years ago, Washington and Cairo did not even maintain diplomatic relations. In 1967, Gamel Abdul Nasser, then president of Egypt, severed his connection with the U.S. and a full seven years elapsed before the wound was healed by Anwar Sadat, his successor.

Today, no Arab country, not even Saudi Arabia, maintains such intimate links with the U.S. as Egypt. In the wake of the revolutionary turmoil in Iran, and the Soviet Union's armed thrust into Afghanistan, Egypt stands as a beacon of U.S. interests in the region.

Israel is certainly important in U.S. eyes. It is militarily strong. Its democracy functions. And its people are educated, technologically sophisticated and inclined toward the West.

But Israel takes second, perhaps third, place to Egypt (and Saudi Arabia) insofar as strategic import is concerned.

The strategic importance the U.S. attaches to Egypt, in the aftermath of the Iranian revolution, will shortly be demonstrated again when a contingent of Egyptian troops is flown to an American base for comparable exercises.

U.S.-Egyptian military co-operation began last January, when two AWACS — airborne warning and control planes — touched down in Egypt within weeks of the Russians' intervention in Afghanistan. In July, a squadron of F-4 Phantom jets held joint maneuvers with the Egyptians at bases in Cairo-West and Luxor.

Since then, the U.S. has also used a base at Qena in Upper Egypt. In April, U.S. planes took off from Qena in an unsuccessful attempt to rescue 51 hostages in Teheran.

Later this year, the U.S. is expected to spend an estimated half a billion dollars to construct an air field at Ras Banas on the Red Sea. It will be used by the rapid deployment force, created by President Jimmy Carter, to confront threats to Saudi Arabia and the Persian Gulf oil fields.

The budget earmarked for Qena will be presented to a new Congress after President-elect Ronald Reagan assumes office. Given the mood in Washington, it is likely to pass without major opposition.

Washington's growing role in Egypt is an outcome of the 1973 Arab-Israeli war. Henry Kissinger, then U.S. secretary of state, coaxed Egypt and Israel into a ceasefire, engineered the first disengagement treaty in 1974 and laid the groundwork for a resumption of diplomatic relations with Cairo.

The U.S. embassy opened in February of 1974 under Ambassador Hermann Eilts, an old Middle East hand. Previously, for seven years, American diplomats had operated in the U.S. interests section of the Spanish embassy in Cairo.

Half a dozen U.S. diplomats were stationed in Egypt between the Six Day War and 1974. Nowadays, 280 Americans are formally assigned to the embassy. Two hundred are employed as civilians by the Egyptian government, and 100 technicians are assigned to help the Egyptians adjust to their newly-acquired Phantoms. In addition, there are several hundred pilots and mechanics stationed on a rotating basis in Egypt.

According to the American consulate in Cairo, the number of Americans in Egypt — including businessmen, scholars, journalists, oilmen and their families totals some 5,000.

Compared with the presence of 50,000 Americans under the Iranian shah, 5,000 is small potatoes. When the Russians dominated Egypt in the 1960s and early 1970s, there were as many as 30,000 Soviets throughout the country. The Egyptians accused them of flaunting their power.

Unwilling to commit the Russians' mistake, the U.S. is keeping a low profile in Egypt, militarily and politically. Indiscreet U.S. visibility, it is felt, would antagonize Egypt's small but very vocal Islamic fundamentalists and provide fodder for leftist politicians who oppose Sadat's policies.

Thus, U.S. military personnel in Egypt are permitted to wear only civilian clothes when on leave, and they are not allowed to bring their families to Egypt.

Last summer, in a revealing move, the state department announced it was shelving plans to demolish its old chancellory and replace it with a $40 million 20-storey tower in the heart of Cairo.

[AP Laserphoto]

U.S. troops in full gear — members of the rapid deployment force created by Jimmy Carter — drill in an exercise designed to prepare them for desert warfare in the Middle East. Egyptian soldiers took part in the maneuvers.

A state department spokesman said the proposed building would be too ostentatious and would attract undue attention to Washington's upgraded interest in Egypt.

In spite of the sensitivities on both sides, the Americans are moving swiftly to shore up their position in Egypt.

Since 1975, the year of Egypt's second disengagement accord with Israel, the U.S. has poured more than $5 billion worth of economic assistance into Sadat's coffers. The aid represents the largest, most ambitious program of its type undertaken by Washington since the post-World War II Marshall Plan. On a per capita basis, experts say, the Egyptians are getting more U.S. assistance than West Europeans got after 1945.

The aid is being offered at such a fast clip that the Egyptians cannot absorb it properly.

Unlike the Russians, the Americans have not undertaken showpiece projects on a scale of the gigantic Aswan Dam. Instead, they have been content with smaller, albeit effective, projects.

The Americans are building power stations in Cairo and Aswan, a cement plant near Suez and 7,000 housing units for industrial workers in the Cairo suburb of Helwan.

They have agreed to finance the import of essential commodities, including fertilizer and machinery, and are examining ways of channeling funds into such areas of assistance as land reclamation experiments and school improvements.

Under Sadat's liberal economic program, which has created a new middle class, 50 U.S. firms have established branch offices or plants in Egypt. They include Union Carbide, Colgate Palmolive and Squibb.

Considerably more companies would contemplate investment in Egypt but for the bureaucratic nightmares that plague almost every deal. Egypt's bureaucracy, like Israel's, moves ever so slowly. And the absence of a decent telephone system — now being revamped — exacerbates the problem.

In this light, it is short of miraculous that hard-nosed businessmen have taken the plunge in Egypt.

Militarily, the U.S. has provided Egypt with the latest equipment and ammunition — Phantom and F-16 jets and M-60 tanks. Egypt's chief of staff, Abdul-Halim Ghazala, is now studying the possibility of joint production with the U.S. of F—5E fighters, M-113 armoured vehicles, anti-tank TOW missiles, speedboats, tank guns and spare parts.

In spite of the scope of U.S. aid, Egyptian commanders feel it is not nearly enough to re-equip their forces, which largely use worn-out Soviet equipment. They claim they require $5 billion to purchase the weaponry and ammunition to modernize their army, air force and navy, but some Western specialists say the figure is a low one. To bring Egypt's forces up to a rough parity with Israel, the Egyptians would reportedly need to spend about $15 billion.

Late last year, Gen. Ghazala suggested that it was in the Americans' interest to step up arms delivery to his country so that they could match a buildup of Soviet weaponry in such places as Libya, Ethiopia and South Yemen.

If the appeal does not fall on deaf ears, the Egyptians hope they'll get the arms on the same credit terms as Israel. Currently, half of the U.S. military loans to Israel are forgiven.

Given the fear of the U.S. of being outflanked by the Soviet Union, the White House may come through.

Sadat, whose policy revolves around close relations with the U.S. knows how important his country is to the Americans. He has offered Washington air and naval facilities, but not actual bases, in order to assist the U.S. to accomplish its goal in the Middle East.

The Egyptian president is loathe to offer bases per se because opinion within Egypt opposes that. Memories of Russian and British bases, with their attendant colonial overtones, are bitterly remembered by educated Egyptians.

American planners are not really adversely affected by Sadat's hesitancy to grant them permanent bases. Temporary facilities are almost as good.

The biggest question now is whether the Egyptians will permit the U.S. to use two key airfields in southern Sinai that are due to be evacuated by Israel in April of 1982.

The facilities the Americans presently use in Egypt are fine — but to a point. Because they are far from the Persian Gulf, they are not ideal operational launching pads for U.S. forces.

Ideally, the U.S. would be pleased to gain access to the Sinai bases, which are ultra-modern and closer to the oil fields. But Sadat, for reasons best known to himself, has indicated the Americans will not be permitted to use them.

Sadat's position seems contradictory, but he may yet change his mind when he realizes that it is in Egypt's vital interest to fill the vacuum that will be left with the departure of the Israelis.

Better the Americans than the Russians.

Review of events in 1980 indicate Jews dependable barometer of society

By J. B. SALSBERG

This column is intended for the January 1, 1981 issue. But, due to technical production problems, the deadline for editorial for the issue is Dec. 18, and, as a result, I sit down to write these lines one hour before midnight of Wednesday, the 17th, of the last month of the outgoing year.

There is a reason, my dear readers, for informing you of those technical and time factors. The reason is that I planned to share with you a brief overview of the major developments of the past year that affected and that will, most likely, continue to influence Jewish affairs in the year ahead.

But, barely one hour before I approached the typewriter, I staggered, in emotional exhaustion, to turn off my TV after watching Harry Rasky's mind-searing film, "The Man Who Hid Anne Frank."

How, I asked myself, can one be "objective" following such an emotionally devastating experience?

I concluded that one can indeed — for there can be no other objectivity for any normal human being, and doubly so for a Jew, than the objectivity that is based, rooted deeply, in the reality of the Holocaust, in the painful reality of the murder of Anne Frank.

Any other, so called, "objectivity" leads to the alarming increase of violence, terrorism and political immorality that the post-Holocaust generation is now witnessing around the globe. Anchored on such a sound basis of objectivity we can turn to a realistic evaluation of what the past year has meant for world Jewry.

First and foremost, 1980 has reaffirmed the old truism that we are a dependable barometer of what's happening to society at large. We are not, really, separated from the fortunes or misfortunes of the world around us. Our most glorious attainments of the past and our devastating tragedies were always related to and, often, were by-products of the larger condition.

A world in peace and traquility is beneficial for us as it is for our neighbors. Contrariwise, a world at war, or in social disarray is harmful to everyone but especially for us. We are a natural target for the bigot and the demagogue. From that viewpoint 1980 was a very disturbing year for us.

The number of "minor" or localized wars increased during 1980. The armament race continues its dangerous course. The world economy was in a state of dislocation. Those were ideal breeding conditions for social and racial termites everywhere — including North America.

The 1980 international scene degraded many concepts of truth and morality. Russia, most Arab states and their considerable followers who support and protect international terrorism deafened ears with the falsehood that Zionism equals racism and that Israel is the cause of all Middle East woes. Thus:

- Terrorist-anti-semites bombed a Paris synagogue when filled with worshippers and hurled grenades into other Jewish institutions and private Jewish shops and Jewish students centres in France.
- Elie Wiesel, as it is openly claimed in France, was recently deprived of a prestigious literary prize (which he was generally expected to receive) because of bitter opposition from pro-Soviet elements who argued that Wiesel's newest novel would offend the Soviet Union.
- In the midst of the bloody Iraq-Iran war and amazing intra-Arab rivalry, the UN General Assembly decided on Dec. 14 to once again condemn Israel, to demand Israel's "withdrawal to the pre-1967 borders" and to facilitate the establishment of a PLO government. The vote is reported to have been 98 for, 16 against (including Canada) and 32 abstentions.
- Soviet Jewish activities and some non-Jewish, morally upright Soviet personalities, most of whom were charged with "slandering the Soviet Union," continued to be prosecuted, persecuted, made jobless, deported to jails and slave camps in Siberia, while kremlin spokesmen rose in Madrid, at the UN and elsewhere to lecture the rest of the world on decency and morality.
- In Canada, as in the U.S., there was a mushrooming of racist, anti-semitic, Ku Klux Klan groups during 1980. I'm not an alarmist and I do not share the view that Canada is on the verge of an economic collapse. We are basically an economically sound community. But even our limited difficulties were sufficient to bring the most sinister elements to life again.

I remember the rise of anti-semitism and fascism in our own midst during the Great Depression. I remember when the first Social Credit government of Alberta (in the 30s) campaigned against "international Jewish bankers" whom they blamed for the depression.

I also remember when Premier Maurice Duplessis of Quebec spewed anti-semitic garbage in public.

We enter the new year with much to be concerned about and much to be alerted to. Underneath it all we are still a handy scapegoat . . . 1981 inherits a disquieting heritage.

Many subtle problems in the area

Canada develops corps of experts on Middle East

On Parliament Hill

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

OTTAWA —

Canada, by inclination and by the exigencies of international relations, plays a relatively minor role in the Middle East. Unlike Britain or the U.S., Canada has neither a traditional attachment to the area, or the will or the military ability to get deeply involved in the turbulent politics of the region.

Instead, Canada has been content to exert a moderating influence on Israel and the Arab lands. Also Canada provides troops to the UN peacekeeping forces in the Middle East.

Successive Canadian governments have attempted to do this by pursuing what is generally regarded as an even-handed policy, by refusing to sell weaponry to either side in the Arab-Israeli conflict and by a consistent willingness to contribute troops to peacekeeping functions under the umbrella of the United Nations.

Today, Canada maintains active embassies in Israel, Iraq, Algeria, Egypt, Morocco, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Lebanon, each staffed by a small complement of professional diplomats and a larger number of local officials. Canada's first embassy in the Middle East, in Beirut, was set up in 1953. The embassy in Tel Aviv was put into operation in 1954. Canada last established a Middle Eastern embassy in 1978, in Kuwait.

Diplomats in some of these countries are accredited to Bahrein, Jordan, Libya, Oman, Qatar, Sudan, Syria, United Arab Emirates and the two Yemens. Canada feels no need, as yet, to establish embassies in those Arab lands.

There is, as well, an embassy in Iran, but it was closed last year. Canada also has an embassy in Turkey, which may or may not be considered part of the Middle East.

Canada's trade with Israel and the Arabs has grown. In 1979, total Canadian exports to the Middle East were $717,415,000. Imports stood at $1,828,455,000. Israel imported $109,839,000 worth of goods and services from Canada and exported $56,309,000 to us.

Canada had two aid programs, one in Egypt, another in the Sudan.

On an operational, day-to-day basis, Canadian embassies in the Middle East are controlled and/or monitored by the Bureau of African and Middle East Affairs and, in turn, by the Middle Eastern division. The department of industry, trade and commerce oversees commercial relations.

The Middle East division was established in the mid-1950s. Until then, it was a branch of the European division. "It was just a smaller bureaucratic world," says Michael Shenstone, director-general of the Bureau of African and Middle Eastern Affairs, which directs the Middle Eastern division.

For many years, Canada's resident expert on the Middle East was Elizabeth MacCallum, the daughter of Christian missionaries who had lived in the area for decades. Only in the last 20 years or so has Canada developed its own corps of specialists. But even now, there is only a handful in Ottawa.

One of them, undoubtedly, is Shenstone, a native of Toronto who studied at the University of Toronto, Cambridge, University of Paris, London School of Oriental Studies and the Middle East Centre for Arab Studies in Shemlan, Lebanon.

He was posted to the Middle East division in 1957, five years after starting his career at the department of external affairs. In 1954, he was third secretary in the Beirut embassy, and in 1960, second secretary in Cairo.

He was appointed envoy to Saudi Arabia in 1974, and named to his current position two years later. Shenstone reports to the deputy under-secretary of external affairs.

The Middle Eastern division is run by John Schioler, who joined the department of external affairs in 1959. Schioler, 48, studied at the University of Manitoba, University of Rochester and Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar.

Aside from a brief stint as director of the Middle Eastern division nine years ago, he has not worked on Middle Eastern affairs. Schioler, who is of Danish origin, has served in Vietnam, Italy, Cyprus, and Lagos. He was also ambassador to Zaire and, concurrently, to Rwanda and the Republic of Congo.

In his last posting, he was seconded to the Treasury Board as a special advisor on native policy.

His deputy director, Michael Bell, is 38. He holds an MA in political science from the University of Windsor. He has had foreign assignments in Jamaica, Trinidad and Tel Aviv, where he was first secretary and consul.

In all, five diplomats are assigned to the Middle Eastern division. Two officers, Nick Etheridge and Bruce Miller, have been to Iraq. Janice Sutton has no practical experience in Mideast affairs. She last served in Indonesia.

"This illustrates the department's policy on postings," says Schioler. "We try to have people with experience in the area. At the same time, the department is not so rigid about this."

Shenstone, his boss, is not convinced that officers in the division should necessarily have studied the Middle East on a formal basis at university. "It creates a mind set," he claims.

Schioler adds: "The department isn't so large that we can always get experienced Middle East hands. Ideally, everyone here should have studied the area. Officers are recruited for their knowledge of Canadian policy, economics and international relations. A heavy emphasis has traditionally been laid on an ability to analyze, make decisions, exercise judgment and express oneself orally and on paper."

"Any of our officers are able to adapt themselves to any region," says Schioler, who once took a course in Middle Eastern history at graduate school.

No one in the division speaks Hebrew fluently, though Bell can manage words and phrases. Two officers are conversant in "some" Arabic. No one knows Persian or Turkish.

"We haven't really felt the need for someone here to speak Hebrew, because any Israeli who deals with us speaks English and, in some cases French, far better than one could hope to speak Hebrew," says Shenstone, an Arabic speaker.

He describes the Israelis' familiarity with English as "the Jewish legacy of being open to the world."

"It's a disadvantage that no one on the staff knows Hebrew," conceded Schioler. "But given the extent of English known by Israelis, together with the documentation in English, I don't think it's particularly debilitating for us to function.

"We don't, as a matter of policy, say someone must speak the local language. If you go to our southeast Asia division and ask them about competency in, say, Thai and Malay, you may find the same answer. On the other hand, a considerable amount of attention is paid to foreign languages, especially in countries, such as the Soviet Union, where you'd encounter difficulties without the local language."

Schioler, who speaks French, Italian, Danish and Vietnamese, says he doesn't know if it's department policy to post at least one officer in the division who has served in Israel.

"Obviously, we like to have people with different experience working here. It wouldn't represent a policy shift if no one in the division had worked in the embassy in Israel."

I asked him if it is department policy not to assign Jewish diplomats to Arab countries.

"I don't know what past practices have been," he replies. "Postings are based on the effectiveness of an officer." Would a Jewish diplomat be effective? "I don't know."

"The subject hasn't come up," says Shenstone. "I don't know of any volunteers."

In nations like Iraq and Saudi Arabia, a Jewish diplomat would not be effective, he adds.

"Those governments regard people of the Jewish faith as having, unless proven otherwise, double loyalty. They have taken too literally the proclamation of Israel that every Jew's first loyalty is to Israel."

The function of the division, according to Schioler, is to advise and manage Canadian embassies, not to formulate policy.

"We study the situation, make recommendations and the government decides. We have no divisional or bureau policy. There's a government policy and we implement it.

"We're impartial, in the sense that the division has no point of view it's trying to sell. But in analyzing a given situation, we try to assess where Canada's best interest would lie and we present options and recommendations on that basis."

When a Middle Eastern-related resolution goes before the UN General Assembly, the minister of external affairs decides how Canada will cast its vote. "We have an input, yes, but no decision-making powers."

Does he sometimes feel that he'd want to formulate policy? "If that were a serious problem, I wouldn't be a civil servant, or I'd run for Parliament. Obviously, though, there are occasions when I wish policy were otherwise . . ."

Schioler claims he has no personal opinion on Canada's role in the Middle East. "We have good relations with both the Arabs and Israel . . . and we're hoping to develop them even further."

Pressed to elaborate, he observes: "I guess we have a limited role in terms of the resolution of the Middle East dispute. We've supported positions most conducive to solving the differences. We've counseled both sides to resolve their differences.

"We believe our policy is balanced and we're prepared to explain and defend that policy. We think there's understanding in the Arab countries and in Israel about our policy."

Michael Bell, who worked in Tel Aviv between 1975 and 1978, asked to be assigned to Israel after having served in the department's defence relations division.

His interest in the Middle East, such as it was, was whetted when he dealt with Canada's peacekeeping force in Cyprus.

As head of the embassy's political section, Bell monitored Canada's relations with Israel, the Israeli scene, peace negotiations and the occupied territories. He also was involved in organizing itineraries for visiting dignitaries like Pierre Trudeau and William Davis, premier of Ontario.

He made no attempt to learn fluent Hebrew for two reasons. "I was damn busy, and English is so universally understood there. If one is going to learn Hebrew, one has to function well in it. And I don't think I could have done my job better in broken Hebrew."

However, with a knowledge of Hebrew, Bell is fairly confident he could have gained greater insights into the country. "It gives you a bit of an entre into the society."

In general, he found Israel vibrant and exciting — an open, outgoing country where it was easy to establish contacts. "People were eager to talk and exchange ideas."

He was impressed by the diversity of Israelis and fascinated by the history of the area. And kibbutzim appealed to him. Bell says he detected a common experience in nation-building between Israel and Western Canada. He enjoyed the cut and thrust of Israeli politics.

Of course, he didn't like everything. The drivers did not endear themselves to him and he found that a repairman took an awful long time to fix a faltering fridge.

When his tour of duty ended, he had a better appreciation of the Arab-Israeli dispute. "I like to think I now understand the subtleties of the problem more than I did previously."

[Wayne Cuddington photo]

Sheldon Kirshner interviews [from left]: Michael Shenstone, director-general of the Bureau of African and Middle Eastern Affairs; John Schioler, director of the Middle Eastern division; and Michael Bell, deputy director of the division.

Jewish agencies distribute great number of handouts

By ARNOLD AGES

In my capacity as a journalist I receive almost on a daily basis batches of public relations materials sent by various Jewish organizations and agencies.

It is not true that the flood stopped after the universal deluge of Noah's day. It continues via the postal services of the United States and Canada.

It is not surprising that Jewish groups find it necessary both to advertise themselves and advise their counterparts on how to interpret the flow of history.

Because we live in perilous times where the spectre of renewed anti-semitism haunts us, Jews are especially sensitive to political currents. The public relations sector serves as the Richter scale in measuring the security of Israel and the Jewish people.

Considering the high price of paper and mailing costs these days it is disquieting to note that there has been no diminution in the paper flow from the dozen or so major Jewish agencies which circulate their broadsheets and brochures and memoranda.

What is especially unfortunate is the generally low level of these handouts. Much of the literature sent to the English-Jewish press (a-kind of bureaucratic incest) is self-serving and lacking in real professionalism. Too much of it is concerned with what the president of this or that group had to say about some ephemeral happening in Washington or abroad.

I never cease to be amazed at the perception, apparently entertained by PR types, that ordinary people are interested in the contents of telegrams or letters sent to White House officials or members of Commons committees.

There are two redeeming publicity departments among the wastelands of Jewish public relations. The American Jewish Congress does yeoman's work in keeping its subscribers au courant in matters that count.

The journalists who prepare their briefs write in literate English and they display qualities of succinctness in their prose.

The best individual piece of publicity is the Congress' "Boycott Report" — a regular document prepared by Will Maslow and Richard Cohen. The Report is worth its weight in gold. Running six to seven pages, the mimeographed document presents in non-legal language, the struggle between the Arab boycotting agencies and the U.S. government's attempt to prevent discrimination against its citizens.

Free of jargon and hype, the Boycott Report demonstrates that the awesome power of law can be used to secure the rights of Americans, Jewish or Gentile.

The public relations departments of Israeli universities in North America could learn much from the AJC briefs. On the whole their publicity releases lack the solid construction and imaginative flair of the Congress documentation.

Much the same could be said for the Jewish educational institutions in North America. The Jewish Theological Seminary, Yeshiva University and the many yeshivot are lagging in their publicity efforts. In this regard they could learn a great deal from the Lubavitch movement, which in addition to its conventional image-building exercises, also manages to teach Torah (the best of all public relations) through its weekly commentary on the weekly sidrah.

The best overall public relations profile belongs to the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. From its New York offices its professional staff culls, organizes and synthesizes the reports of its representatives all over the United States and Canada.

The rabbis, lawyers, professors and journalists who work for the ADL monitor the pulse of this continent's religious, political and legal structures. They prepare careful, thoughtful evaluations of situations which can or may pose a threat to Israel or the Jewish people.

ADL's work is not merely collecting information; it has a strong advocacy role as well. Its publications reflect field work in the courts, lobbying in the legislatures in Washington and in the various states.

One of its most remarkable feats has been studying the rise of the "moral majority" in the American political spectrum as well as identifying the anti-Israel bias which has been incorporated in the philosophy of the National Council of Churches.

I like the ADL materials because they are professional without being slick. They contain no puffery or self-serving inflation of issues. The reportage is exhaustive, calm and analytical. The excellence of ADL public relations makes the efforts of other Jewish groups pale in comparison.

New wave of anti-Jewish activity

In France - there are ugly echoes of past

By HENRY H. WEINBERG

[Henry Weinberg is a professor in the department of French at the University of Toronto. One of his specialties is French Jewry and Franco-Israeli relations.]

The bomb which interrupted the Friday night service on Oct. 3 in the Rue Copernic Synagogue in Paris seems to have touched off a traumatic self-examination in a country attempting to cope with several new factors threatening its way of life. France has witnessed in the last few years a dramatic increase in violence, ethnic unrest and serious unemployment.

However, the emergence of a new wave of anti-Jewish activity which culminated in the deadly explosion in front of a synagogue, brought back ugly echoes from the past: Vichy, collaboration with Nazis, Dreyfus and such anti-semitic movements as L'Action Francaise.

A week before the bombing several Jewish institutions, including two schools, were sprayed with machine gun fire. In the past months beatings of Jews and the desecration of synagogues and Jewish cemeteries seemed to occur almost daily. A year and a half ago, 33 Jewish students were injured by a time bomb placed in a kosher cafeteria.

Is France turning to anti-semitism as a solution to its nagging problems?

The answer to this question has to be placed in the context of several events in the past three years. In November 1977, L'Express, the leading French weekly, published a long interview with the former Vichy commissioner for Jewish affairs, who not only branded the Holocaust as a Jewish invention but also repeated many classical anti-semitic canards.

Although the exaggeration and lies were evident to most adult Frenchmen, the publication of such anti-semitic cliches in the largest circulation weekly aroused considerable debate.

This controversy was followed in quick succession by other highly publicized incidents around the "Jewish question."

Although Gerald Green's "Holocaust" was an immediate best-seller, the government-controlled French television refused to screen the NBC program (while most other European television networks did). The government relented only after vigorous protests.

Soon after, Le Monde, the highly respected daily, which is somewhat of an institution in France, published an article by a professor of literature "proving" that Hitler's gas chambers never existed. The ensuing storm resulted in a lawsuit against the newspaper.

At the same time, one witnessed a proliferation of books and TV programs dealing with Jewish topics and the Vichy role in the deportation of over 100,000 French Jews to German death camps. This was accompanied by a wave of World War II nostalgia which through films, novels and the so-called "retro" fashion in clothing tended to rehabilitate the collaboration period.

There was also the emergence of an ideological movement, the "New Right." Such groups as Le Club de l'Horloge, composed of graduates of some of the most prestigious institutions of higher learning, advocated a new elitism based on purely European traditions. Calling for a return to a form of paganism modeled on Greek civilization, the New Right denounced Judeo-Christian ideals.

One of the main ideologues of the movement, the editor of the weekly Figaro Magazine — with nearly a one million circulation — printed an article calling for the "destruction of metaphysical Judaism." The New Right gave the neo-Nazis some respectable-sounding ideological justifications.

The French Jewish community has expressed concern over the government's pro-Arab, anti-Israeli foreign policy and the one-sidedness of its diplomatic initiatives and votes at the UN. The government-controlled media reinforced this bias and often blurred the distinction between anti-Zionism and anti-semitism.

It is also important to note that the strong political Left in France has been supportive of the government's Middle East policies. Inevitably, this anti-Zionist stance has been used by anti-semites to legitimize their views.

On the other hand, the solidly pro-Israel French Jewish community has been highly critical of the government's policy on the Middle East. This irritated even the press. In May, Le Monde published an article by a professor of history accusing French Jews of treason for their support of Israel.

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The October 3 bombing has been attributed to the neo-Nazi FANE (Federation d'Action Nationale Europeenne) headed by a 43-year-old bank clerk. This group has claimed other anti-Jewish actions. However, the FANE must not be lumped with other forces on the Right.

The political extreme Right in France can be divided into three segments.

On a national scale, a movement headed by a former Vichy official received 4% of the vote in an election 15 years ago. This Right is clearly anti-semitic but firmly rejects violence.

A much smaller, dormant group is composed of former members of such outfits as the "Delta Commando" which tried to assassinate General De Gaulle, and of members of OAS units who were opposed to the withdrawal from Algeria. This group does not seem to be interested in attacking Jews.

The third segment comprises the neo-Nazis, mostly young men disillusioned with welfare capitalism and embittered by economic disruptions and inflation. They idolize Hitler and the SS, but until recently were considered mainly a nuisance.

This may explain in part the rather passive attitude of the French police. Although there have been accusations that their ranks have been infiltrated by neo-Nazis, it is more plausible that the laxity of the police was due to the fact that it was concerned by leftwing and separatist terrorism. Yet, the calls for the resignation of the minister of interior are not without justification.

Moreover, French authorities have shown leniency toward terrorism in the past, notably, when in 1977, they promptly released Abou Daoud, the alleged mastermind of the massacre of Israeli athletes at the Munich Olympics. A year later Iraqi gunmen who shot two French policemen on a Paris street were quickly expelled.

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The mass demonstrations which followed the synagogue bombing indicated solidarity for the victims and expressed a sense of national guilt. (Although they were motivated in part by the political campaign in progress.)

Evidently, the majority of Frenchmen have not turned to overt anti-semitism. However, latent anti-Jewish feelings have been permitted to surface in a society where such feelings were used repeatedly as a political vehicle in the past.

In such a society, any reactivation of dormant sentiments is a cause for apprehension, especially since some racists have proven that they are capable of killing again.

Project Renewal helps Israel to continue on as a nation

By JACK CHISVIN

Have you been to Israel?

Did you like what you saw?

If you did, then you haven't been to Israel. Israel is not the Hilton Hotel in Tel Aviv. It is not the Plaza Hotel in Jerusalem. It is not Begador and the smart shops of Dizengoff or Ben Yehuda. It is not the art galleries of Yaffo. Israel is not the Hebrew University, the Weizmann Institute or The Technion.

Nor is Israel an air-conditioned bus complete with guide. It is not the magnificent buildings of the Knesset or the national museum. It isn't even Yad Vashem.

Israel is like a tree which appears to be healthy and verdant on the outside but is rotting in the core.

To know Israel, you have to get off main street. Israel is back alleys and lanes, towns and villages, teaming with people of all ages, colors and hues. People living in extreme deprivation who have been stripped of their dignity and self-respect and are almost without hope. People searching for a reason for their existence.

Israel is our unfortunate relative to whom we give the occasional handout and hope that he will leave us alone.

We take pride and share in military victories, in the fight for physical survival, but we close our eyes to the decay, the stink and the garbage in which the country is in danger of submerging.

In the midst of all this despair, Diaspora Jews are being given the opportunity to be heroic while the Israeli stands by on the sidelines and cheers.

It is easy to have commitment when Arab armies are threatening the country. It is much more difficult to find commitment when the threat is from within. The threat has nothing to do with national politics, but rather it is a continuation of nation building which has been interrupted so many times in the past 30 years. It is Zionism in the purist sense.

What we are being asked to do, what we must do, is get involved in Project Renewal as if we meant it. Project Renewal, the vast program of the Israel government and the Diaspora to rehabilitate the slums of Israel, is the ultimate expression of Jewishness. It is the culmination of 4,000 years of history. It is the coming of Messiah in our time. **It is** a test of our will to continue as a proud nation.

Organizations and People

What's New

On Behalf of Ulpanat Orot Girls School, in a ceremony marking the dedication of a classroom, Kurt Rothschild [left] accepts a check from Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue president Wilfred Kideckel. Other participants in the ceremony are, from left to right beside Mr. Kideckel, Irving Horowitz, Ralph Snow, Saul Koschitzky.

VOLUNTEERS FOR RESEARCH

Dr. Dominick Amato of Mt. Sinai Hospital, who is doing research in blood diseases, needs small quantities of blood from normal individuals. Donors will be paid. If you want to participate, or would like further information, please contact **N. Kahn** at local 4119, or room 136B, research department.

NEW DAY SCHOOL

The Herzl Hebrew Day School, 788 Marlee Ave., which is sponsored by the Toronto Zionist Council, will open with a grade 1 in September. An additional grade will be added each year to grade 8.

The school program embraces a general study curriculum of the Ontario ministry of education, and a Hebrew language curriculum which includes modern Hebrew, a contemporary approach to Bible teaching, Jewish History, Jewish life and observances. Further information is available from **Malka Klein**, 781-3571.

RABBI BURAK IN BALTIMORE

At the annual dinner of Yeshivath Kochve Yitzhak, to take place in Baltimore, Maryland, Jan. 11, **Rabbi Moses J. Burak** will be the featured speaker. Dr. Burak, of Beth Jacob V'Anshe Dridz Synagogue, is president of Toronto's Rabbinical Council, and chancellor of Maimonides College. His column, "Living Halacha," appears weekly in The CJN.

WORLDWIDE CORRESPONDENCE

What is it like to be Jewish in Japan or Australia? IJC (International Jewish Correspondence) provides a way for Diaspora Jews to contact one another through a pen-pal service established under Canadian Jewish Congress auspices. A youngster in Canada can enthuse about the thrill of winter sports while his counterpart in South Africa writes of life on the equator.

IJC offers the opportunity to communicate with others of our heritage. It also affords a moral boost to Jews in the Soviet Union.

To obtain names of correspondents, mail a stamped self-addressed envelope, and information on interests and languages spoken to International Jewish Correspondence, 2695 McWillis St., Montreal, H4R 1M5.

FOR SENIORS

Beth Tzedec Friendship Club +50 presents a slide show focusing on the Joseph and Minnie Wagman Terrace, at 1.15 p.m., Tuesday, Jan 6, at the synagogue. Everyone is welcome. This is your chance to find out what life is like at "The Terrace."

Northeast Jewish Seniors will hear **Rabbi Michael Stroh** of Temple Har Zion address the question "Can There Be Peace Between Israel and the Arabs?" on Monday, Jan. 5, at 2.30 p.m., in Hillcrest Public Library, 5801 Leslie St. Please call **Phyllis Verbin**, 493-8866, for additional information.

Come for coffee and conversation with Fran Salem, when Community Contacts for the Widowed holds its next meeting on Sunday, Jan. 11, at 11.30 a.m., in the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. This supportive, non-sectarian service is open, free of charge, to women 55-70 widowed less than two years. Programs are held every second Sunday.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club, Glencairn Ave., has been awarded a New Horizons government grant of $15,168 to organize a program encompassing music, arts and crafts, fitness and exercise, dancing, sewing, soap carving, film showing and indoor games.

And the Wagman Centre Club received a New Horizons grant for a program to include films and lectures on health and nutrition, basic laws and legislation, economy, and an overview of Canadian art. Plans are also under way for a choir.

Earl Bales Seniors Place, at Bathurst and Sheppard, which was slated to close for the winter, is going to be open by popular demand, every Wednesday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Bridge enthusiasts, mah jong players, and all others who just want to drop in and enjoy an afternoon at "The Place" in the park, are very welcome. The alternating Saturday night dances and bingos continue through the winter from 7.30 until 11.30 p.m. at the same location. For further information please phone 636-7856.

YIDDISH SPEAKER

Guest speaker when the Yiddish Culture Council of Toronto meets Sunday, Jan. 4 at 8.30 p.m. in the Workmen's Circle Hall, 471 Lawrence Ave. W., will be **Dr. David G. Roskies**, New York City, assistant professor of Yiddish literature at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He will consider "Achievements of Modern Yiddish Literature in America."

BLUEPRINT FOR NURSING

A forecast of nursing as it is expected to be in the year 2000, has been released by the College of Nurses of Ontario. The "Blueprint for Nursing," projects three different but possible futures, the first characterized by rapid economic and population growth, the second by slow economic growth and reduction of health care funds, and the third by moderate economic growth and low population increase.

In all three futures the nurse will probably be the most common first contact for patients. Specialization will be recognized, with mental health and care of the elderly included.

Futures 1 and 2 will emphasize nurse midwifery and more care in the home rather than in hospital. In future 3, slow growth, centralized decision-making, and expansion of institutional care will result in conditions remaining as they are at present, with most nurses working in general hospitals.

USY CONVENTION

Delegates from Eastern Canada Region who attended the 30th annual convention of United Synagogue Youth (USY) held Dec. 21-25 in Los Angeles, were **Marshall Swadron** and **Glenda West** of Beth Tikvah, Willowdale, and **Michael** and **Andrew Brooke** together with **Michael Wohl** of Or Shalom, London, Ont. The convention brought together over 1,000 USY members, staff, and alumni from Canada and the United States.

The theme, "In God's Image," zeroed in on Jewish attitudes toward the body with emphasis on sexuality, physical appearance, language and chemical substance abuse.

ITALIAN QUAKE VICTIMS

The Canadian Red Cross Society urges Canadians to continue donating funds which will be used in a long-term relief program recently announced by the Italian Red Cross to assist victims of the Nov. 24 earthquake in the Naples region.

Thirty centres offering vital services to the homeless: accommodation, hot mid-day meals, school facilities, showers, meeting places and social activities, are planned. In addition, the Italian society will provide volunteer nurses to work in remote areas and head off epidemic threats.

Donations can be made to the Canadian Red Cross Society, 460 Jarvis St., Toronto, M4Y 2H5, 923-6692. One hundred per cent of monies collected in Canada will be directed to recovery. Any remaining funds will be used for reconstruction.

IN THE SYNAGOGUES

"Liturgical Music — the Old and the New," will be the topic for guest speaker **Rabbi Herbert Feder's** talk at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am's monthly lecture in the synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd., on Sunday, Jan. 11, 8.30 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Rosh Hodesh, the day of the new moon, has traditionally been regarded as a semi-holiday for women. Adath Israel Sisterhood is observing that special time with a Rosh Hodesh service in the chapel, 37 Southbourne Ave., at 9.30 a.m., on Jan. 6. The sisterhood's choral group, "Shira Hadasha," led by **Cheryl Meirovich**, will contribute to the services. Brunch follows, and there will be a review of Mordechai Richler's book, "Joshua Then and Now," by **Marty Teplitsky**.

Guests are welcome, and baby sitting is available at a nominal charge. For reservations (by Jan. 3) please phone **Frances Rubin**, 633-7246, or **Loretta Brown**, 223-1324.

ONE WOMAN EXHIBIT

Pencil drawings and pastels reflecting a variety of interests, are being shown by **Sylvia Maultash-Warsh** at Forest Hill Public Library, 700 Eglinton Ave. W., from Jan 2-31. Hours are 10 a.m. until 8.30 p.m. Mondays to Thursdays, and 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. The library is closed Sundays. Price range for the artist's works is from $50 to $200.

"CHINA DOLL" AT POSLUNS

Leah Posluns Theatre opens the new year with "Reflections of a China Doll," Jan. 10-24, an autobiographical play written by and starring **Susan Merson**. Playwright and actress Merson, who was Mary for two years in the off-broadway show "Vanities," also appeared on Broadway with **Eli Wallach** and **Sada Thompson** in **Franco Zeffirelli's** production of "Saturday, Sunday, Monday."

Phone the box office 630-6752 for reservations. Group rates are available. Tickets can also be purchased from Bass outlets.

CHILDREN'S SHOWS

Holy Blossom Nursery School presents "Jim and Rosalie" in a children's concert, Sunday, Jan. 11, at 1.30 p.m., in the Philip Smith congregational hall, 1950 Bathurst St. This singing duo is a delight to youngsters and their parents. Admission is $2 for children and adults. For tickets please call **Melanie**, 489-7555, **Charlotte**, 483-4300, **Bryna**, 783-0248, or **Shelley**, 781-7048.

And another special — Winnipeger **Fred Penner**, who incorporates dance, mime, clowning, juggling, singing and storytelling in his "Funtime for Children," is featured in the third of a series for youngsters at Minkler Auditorium, Seneca College, Sunday, Jan. 11, at 1 p.m. and 3.30 p.m. Penner's record, "The Cat Came Back," is popular with many young fry.

Tickets for the show are $2.50. For reservations or further information, please call 491-8877.

DANCE CLASSES

Registration for winter/spring classes at the Koffler Centre of the Arts School of Dance sponsored by the Jewish Community Centre, closes Jan. 9. The comprehensive program encompasses couple or nightclub dancing (another name for today's ballroom), classical, ballet, contemporary and creative, jazz, tap, Israeli and international folk-dancing, plus pre-dance education for 4-6-year olds. Classes are for all ages, beginners to advanced.

The School of Dance offers its programs at two locations: 4588 Bathurst St. and 750 Spadina Ave., at Bloor. For additional information call 636-1880 ext. 37 or 61, Sunday through Friday.

SHALOM TV

Keren Hatarbut Institute advises that the next "Shalom" Hebrew TV program will appear Monday, Jan. 5, at 1 p.m., on MTV channel 47, and will be repeated on Sunday, Jan. 18, at 9.30 a.m., on CITY-TV, channel 79.

This segment will showcase singer and guitarist **Kim Kowarski** and singer **Etel Aloni** accompanied by **Bill Berle**, plus a movie concerning Shabbat, an interview by **Vicki Gabay** with **Shoshana Lev** about Amal schools in Israel, and news from Israel with **Mina Ron** and **Joseph Klinger**.

HUMANE SOCIETY

Selling can be pleasurable and meaningful at the Ontario Humane Society Thrift Shop. Volunteer salespeople are required to sort and price second hand clothing jewelry and household goods.

Four children from Russia received Hebrew names at the Congregation B'nai Israel in Cambridge, recently. The children are taught by Rabbi Moshe Weinberg, left, and Rabbi Malcolm Levine, right, from Toronto. Standing in the back row are Len Rosenberg [Yechiel] and Alla Landa [Esther]. In front are Albert Ioffe [Avraham] left, and Seslav Rosenberg [Shmuel], right.

The shop, at Wilson and Bathurst, is open Monday to Saturday, 10 to 4, and the volunteer should commit at least one half day per week. If you enjoy meeting the public and want to try selling, please call the Volunteer Centre, 481-6194.

CLASSROOM DEDICATED

A classroom in Ulpanat Orot Girls School has been dedicated by Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue to commemorate the affiliation of the Hebrew Men of England congregation with the synagogue. The Ulpanat Orot building on Canyon Ave., off Bathurst St., was formerly the premises of Hebrew Men of England.

Participants in the ceremony included Rabbi Yehoshua Cohen, rosh yeshiva of Yeshivat Or Chaim and Ulpanat Orot, as well as members of the boards of Beth Emeth and Ulpanat Orot.

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Rabbi Joseph Kelman lauded the education offered at both Or Chaim and Ulpanat Orot, which produce balanced young men and women who are knowledgeable and committed Jews pursuing careers and devoted to Israel and the community.

JEWISH DIABETIC ASSOCIATION

Sonnee Cohen, president of the Diabetes Worldwide Information Service, is organizing a diabetic association within the Jewish community. Noting that diabetes affects 5% of the Jewish population, Cohen feels that the high incidence plus specific dietary and other interests, warrant a group especially for Jews. He has already founded diabetic associations in the Italian, Croatian and Chinese communities.

Please address all inquiries to **S. Cohen**, The Queensway Medical Bldg., 880 The Queensway, Room 30, Toronto.

FOR SINGLES

Sparkles disco, in the CN Tower, will be the locale for a Jewish singles dance, Tuesday, Jan. 13, 8 p.m.-1.30 a.m. Admission is $3 and there is free parking at the John St. entrance to the tower; also a free elevator ride to Sparkles. Door prize is dinner for two at the Top of Toronto restaurant in the CN Tower. Arrive early to avoid long lineups.

Copies of the Directory of Jewish Singles Groups which lists group and community services for single people, is available through Jewish Information Service. The cost is 75 cents at the office, 2953 Bathurst St. (at Frontenac), Suite 104, Toronto M6B 3B2, or $1 by mail. Hours are 9.30-4.30, Mondays through Thursdays, and 9.30-4 o'clock on Fridays. Please pass on information about this much-in-demand booklet to your friends.

Jewish professionals warn Canadian support is eroding

By GAYE APPLEBAUM

TORONTO — A panel of Canada's top Jewish professionals warned participants at a recent Ottawa seminar that Canadian support for Israel is eroding and will continue to do so if Western economics remain weak and Arab propaganda continues unabated.

The experts agreed that the current trend could have serious consequences, not only for Israel, but for the Canadian Jewish community as well.

Alan Rose, executive vice-president of the Canadian Jewish Congress, emphasized that the main threat to world Jewry today comes from the systematic, vitriolic campaign being waged by the Soviet Union, depicting Jews and Israel in blatantly anti-semitic terms.

Rose said that complacent Jewish communities in the West must re-examine the consequences of growing apathy toward the plight of Soviet Jewry.

Mark Resnick, national executive director of the Canada-Israel Committee, said the Arabs and pro-Arab factions are currently winning the propaganda war. With Canadian banking and business interests seeking a share of the Middle Eastern petrodollar, economic self-interest will add pressure on the government to rethink its position on Israel, he said.

The media, detecting a swing in attitude, has given exposure to previously ignored, anti-Jewish fringe elements, said Ben Kayfetz, executive director of the national Joint Community Relations Committee of CJC and B'nai B'rith.

Kayfetz said that these groups, both from the right — in the form of neo-Nazi organizations disseminating hate propaganda — and the left — in the form of socialist-oriented groups toting anti-Zionism in the guise of human rights — had been kept in "richly deserved obscurity," but were now getting publicity.

Prof. Maxwell Cohen, chairman of a select committee of Congress, delivered a brief account of the background work that went into the submission to the Senate-House committee on the constitution.

[Ben Lechtman photo]

Lydia London, Toronto vice-president, addresses Women's Canadian Ort members at a Toronto seminar held in conjunction with the national board of directors meeting. Seated are, left to right, Dodo Heppner, Anne Teitelman, Dorothy Sholchet, Ruth Druxerman, Sharon Bleviss.

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About People

CFHU PRESIDENT

Lawyer **Barry Rosenblood** is the new president of the Hamilton chapter, Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University. In an effort to develop increased community support, he urges Hamiltonians to mark festive or sad occasions by contributing to the University. Setting an example, he and his brother **Lorne**, are honoring their parents' 40th wedding anniversary by establishing a family endowment in their names.

Barry Rosenblood

PHYSICIANS ELECTED

Dr. Philip Klotz and **Dr. M. Mador** have been re-elected to the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons and will act as representatives for Toronto in District 10.

U OF T APPOINTS BERRIS

Dr. Bernie Berris has been appointed by the University of Toronto as its representative on the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons.

ELECTED TO CJF

Wilfred Posluns, president of Toronto Jewish Congress, was elected to the board of directors, Council of Jewish Federations, at its recent 49th General Assembly in Detroit. Re-elected were **Phil Granovsky** and **Rose Wolfe.**

PAULINE McGIBBON HONORED

Former Ontario Lieutenant-Governor **Pauline McGibbon** has been elected to the board of directors, Mt. Sinai Institute. Mrs. McGibbon is an officer of the Order of Canada, a recipient of the Civic Award of Merit, and the Human Relations Award from the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews.

NEW PSYCHIATRY HEAD

Dr. Joel Sadavoy has been appointed head of the department of psychiatry at Baycrest Centre. Dr. Sadavoy replaces **Dr. Marvin Miller** who will continue as a consultant in pshychiatry for Baycrest.

HOLY BLOSSOM PRESIDENT

President of Holy Blossom board of trustees for the coming year is **Karl Bald.** His executive comprises vice-presidents **Myer D. Brody** and **Gordon Wolfe**; financial secretary **Joseph Silver**; treasurer **William Humber**; recording secretary, **Lillian Winton.**

Toronto's Joseph Tanenbaum, centre, is seen here with Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin, left, and Sam Rothberg, U.S. president for State of Israel Bonds, during Begin's recent visit to New York. The event was one of the most important fund raising drives in North America.

Great UJA Buddy-Up event breaks records— over $650,000 in pledges obtained in one day

TORONTO —

Adding to the surging momentum of the current UJA campaign, the recent "Great UJA Buddy-Up Day" for Major Gifts canvassers broke at least four records....

Pledges obtained that day totaled $650,000; over 50 Major Gifts pledge cards were completed; the goal of 25% increase in pledges was maintained and the total campaign contributions raised as of that date reached $10 million.

Never before has this total been achieved so early in the campaing, according to campaign chairman Jimmy Kay.

Designed to utilize the benefits of co-operative efforts, the day was based on teamwork — two canvassers "buddied-up" for the day to work out strategy and to call together on prospective Major Gifts donors. (A Major Gift is a minimum of $5,000.)

Starting with breakfast at 8 a.m., the canvassers devoted the entire day to UJA and concluded with a L'chaim celebration of their success at the home of Anne and Max Handelman. The early breakfast meeting was not unusual for these canvassers — they regularly meet each Thursday at 7.45 a.m. to conduct UJA business before going off to their own work.

Calling the day's results "the best for a single day in peacetime," Max Handelman, chairman of Business and Professions, heaped praise on the nearly 30 men who participated. To add to the excitement, he presented gifts for the most cards canvassed, most money pledged and largest increases to Bill Dunn, Dave Green, Mark Friedman, Harry Gorman, Sid Chelsky and Fred Metter.

The drive of the participants was exhilarating, according to David Marks, UJA campaign director. He was busy all day taking calls from canvassers who reported in after each success and kept asking for more cards to cover.

"I've never seen such enthusiasm," he claims. "In addition, there is a tremendous ripple effect from the day in that cards are still coming in with the requisite 25% increase. Some cards are from people who were unable to commit themselves that day and had to consider their gifts for a while and others are from people who were unavailable on Dec. 11 and have since been contacted."

In contemplating the reasons for this year's overall 25% increase in donations, Marks complimented the "wonderful people of Toronto who are responding so generously when the facts are explained to them.

"At the core of the most successful canvassers are those people who went on the UJA Prime Minister's mission to Israel and came back fully committed to the campaign. They are carrying this over to their talks with their prospects."

Handelman said he is so pleased with the work of the chairmen within his division that he's planning to hold a Chairmen's Appreciation Night on Jan. 14, in conjunction with Charles Diamond and Dr. Charles Gold, co-chairmen of the campaign cabinet and executive.

Rothstein and Carr head up the slate of Beth Tzedec officers

TORONTO —

Paul Rothstein was recently elected president of Beth Tzedec Congregation and Judy Feld Carr was elected chairman of the board of governors — the first woman to be elected to such office in the Conservative movement in North America.

Beth Tzedec is one of North America's leading Conservative synagogues, with a membership of more than 2,500 families.

Other officers elected: 1st vice-president, Aaron Black; 2nd vice-president, Robert B. Eisen; vice-chairman of the board, Jules Surdin; secretary, Yvonne Stein; treasurer, Steven Kelman; immediate past president, Joseph Kerzner. Bert Godfrey is honorary president.

Rabbi J. Benjamin Friedberg is spiritual leader of the congregation; Rabbi Robert Binder is associate rabbi and director of youth and education; Paul H. Kowarsky is cantor and Joseph Cooper is cantor emeritus; Nathan Abramowitz is executive director and Jack Orenstein is executive vice-president.

Judy Feld Carr

Paul Rothstein

Ont. legislation enables JF&CS to function as children's aid society

By ANDREA PARKER

TORONTO —

An act of the Ontario legislature, given roval assent recently, enables the Jewish Family & Child Service to function as a children's aid society in Metropolitan Toronto.

Up until now, the JF & CS operated under the aegis of the Children's Aid Society of Metropolitan Toronto. As Lester Scheininger, vice-president of JF&CS pointed out, before the new act was approved, only an aide from the CASMT could apprehend (take into custody by law) a Jewish child or represent the child in court.

Said Paul Forman, president: "We had to operate as a branch. Now, we have come into our own right. We are now truly a Jewish Children's Aid Society.... We have everything we need to do our job officially."

Scheininger added that "we're a Jewish agency, recognized by the province and will be recognized by the courts as being the agency that can act as a children's aid society in delivering characteristically Jewish services."

These services, he noted, include maintaining the Jewish communal commitment, the private voluntary characteristic and the family orientation.

The need to establish JF&CS as a children's aid society in its own right arose when The Child Welfare Act, 1978, was approved, which put limitations on the JF&CS, said Forman. Under the act, doctors, lawyers and teachers who suspected a child was being abused, were required to report the matter to a children's aid society but there was confusion among professionals as to whether reporting to JF&CS was legally correct.

Forman said that principals and teachers in Jewish schools could report cases to the Catholic Children's Aid Society, for example, "but some thought they could be fined for reporting to JF&CS."

In an ad hoc report of the agency's child welfare review committee, members of the staff expressed concern that the agency was being regularly questioned as to its status, authority and powers and they felt this was undermining the performance of their duties.

According to Scheininger, the new legislation covering JF&CS makes it mandatory for the Jewish community, through the agency, to deal with problems of preventing child abuse.

Jerome Diamond, executive director, noted that while the legislation limits the agency's activities to Metro Toronto, "there are co-operative arrangements with the Children's Aid Society of York and we have expanded Jewish foster home service to a number of homes north of Steeles." (Steeles is the northern boundary of Metro Toronto).

Approximately 3,000 families are served at JF&CS every year, said Diamond and 700 are child service cases, while 65 to 70 children are cared for in foster homes or some type of institutional care every year.

Funding will follow the pattern for other children's aid societies: 80% from the province and 20% from the municipality, all for children's services. The family service receives financial assistance from the United Way and Toronto Jewish Congress.

The members of the committee reviewing the implications of the Child Welfare Act included Dr. Irving Betcherman, Yale Drazin, Sydney Gangbar, Marilyn Veidlinger, Harvey Steinberg, Diane Kemp and Sam Reiss.

The bill was presented to the legislature by MPP David Rotenberg. Diamond said the bill received unanimous support of all the political parties.

Reparations payments

TORONTO —

Toronto area residents affected by the West German government's new ruling on indemnification payments are advised to contact the Toronto branch of the United Restitution Organization, at 152 Beverley St.

The ruling affects two categories: those Jewish victims of persecution who suffered serious health damage and are presently in financial difficulty, but could not obtain indemnification payments due to filing after Dec. 31, 1965 ... and those who were previously unable to fulfil BEG (the German remuneration law) requirements regarding fixed date and place of residence.

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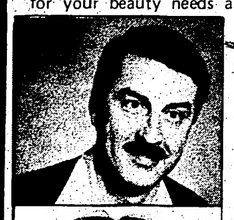

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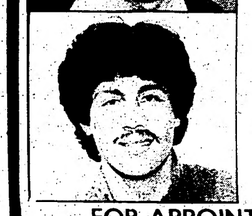

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Parshat Vo'airah

It's easy to talk. The way a person is judged is not by what he says but what he does.

After the first Zionist congress, Reb Shmuel Mohliver gathered a group of Zionist supporters for a conference. He made two requests. One, that they cover their heads. Second, that they all speak in Yiddish.

A few of the more modern delegates protested: "Rabbi, we don't mind covering our heads, but we don't know any Yiddish. It will be impossible for us to speak adequately."

Answered the sage with a smile: "That's exactly what I had in mind. When the Almighty wanted to free the Jews, he sent a stammerer, Moses, to speak to Pharaoh. Couldn't he have sent an adequate speaker? But G-d knew that if he sent an orator, it would take years before all the speeches and presentations would be complete. So he sent Moses who could barely get out the words — 'Let my people go!'

"I know quite well that you are all excellent orators in your native language. That's why it's better that every one should rise, make his point in Yiddish quickly, and we get to work. . . ." (Fun Unzer Alten Oitzer)

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Moses' heart spoke for him — but he was an "aral sefatayim," and the Targum explains, "yakir memallei," every word precious, distinct, difficult.

Why should G-d give Moses such a disability? But when Moses came to the Jewish people and promised to free them, they didn't listen. Their tzores gave them a heart of stone that stopped them from believing in redemption. The whole power of a leader like Moses comes from the people themselves — if they wouldn't support him, how could he find the words to confront Pharaoh?

Moses had another problem that made him stammer and hesitate. G-d had told him from the start that he would speak to Pharaoh, but Pharaoh would not listen to him — the whole meeting would be an exercise in futility. Moses couldn't abide such wasted words. For Moses, every word was precious — and just to go out and say words that mean nothing was very difficult.

Some people have money and some people don't. Some have mazel and some don't. But everyone has a neshama, everyone has a heart. Words are like the sparks of the soul. Words can save a person, words can destroy. A few loving words of encouragement can change a person's whole life. A few foolish angry, thoughtless words can kill friendship, families, beauty.

Every Jew should be a stutterer in his heart. Before the words pass the lips, think. Maybe it's better to leave the words inside. As they say, don't start your mouth until your brain is in gear.

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Even if you have to criticize, it should be done with style. Reb Meir Premishlaner once rebuked a certain Jew who made his living smuggling contraband across the border. The man agreed to stop, but explained to the rabbi that he had one last order that he had to fill.

Answered Reb Meir: "You know, it's like a certain Gentile who came to convert to Judaism. The rabbi taught him for months and months, until the day came that he was to be converted. Just before the conversion, he told the rabbi — "Listen, I just remembered that I have a slice of chazir left over. Let me run home and eat it before I become a Jew. . . ." (Chad V'chalak)

Says the kabbalah: "Whoever wastes words trangresses (in a way) the commandment: "Thou shalt not murder!" May our words bring happiness, amen.

Shabbat Shalom.

Early days were tough for Jewish Federation

Years of co-operation, compromise in Hamilton

[Godfrey Hall photo]

From left: Bert Abugov, Monty Berger, Norman Bennett and Dr. Michael Sherman.

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — The past few years have been years of co-operation and compromise, outgoing Hamilton Jewish Federation president Norman Bennett told the approximately 150 people attending the recent combined HJF and Jewish Community Centre annual meeting.

But it was not always like this and, his customary exuberance giving way to seriousness, Bennett recounted the early days of the federation, "when it was hatched out of the old Council of Jewish Organizations."

Many were unaware, he said, of the growing pains experienced by the Federation to gain acceptance. "The row has been tough to hoe. It was strewn with rancorous meetings, sleepless nights, heartburn and aggravation.

"But it was worth it," he continued, "for it is important that the federation should be recognized as the single spokesman for Hamilton Jewry, offering an understanding, patient, unifying voice."

No longer is the community splintered, he said. "Those days are gone . . . hopefully forever." He saluted those "who have fought long and hard to reach this accord" and told them they should be personally gratified to have witnessed this accomplishment.

"I am confident you will continue this pattern," Bennet told incoming president Dr. Michael Sherman.

Bennett paid tribute to Dr. Franklyn Shapiro, who this year stepped down after many years as chairman of the nominations committee, and said that "a grouping of trees will be planted in Israel in his honor."

Past federation president Bernard Greenbaum becomes the new nominations committee chairman.

Bennett also announced the appointment of federation executive director Samuel Soifer as chairman of the new community relations committee, saying that he is confident "that all controversial matters will be handled by him in an expert and practical manner and that our Jewish community will not be exploited or harmed by irrational decisions."

Out-of-town guests were newly appointed director of the Canadian office of the Council of Jewish Federations, Bert Abugov, who had come from Toronto, and Monty Berger of Montreal, chairman of the Canadian committee of the CJF.

Commending the Hamilton community for its good attendance, Berger said that he had been to many meetings in much larger communities where 'there haven't been as many people."

He was impressed also with "the degree to which the Hamilton community is with it."

"I think you are probably the only community in North America that can say that 5% of its population, one Jew in 20, is from Russia. A remarkable achievement!"

As a tribute to his leadership, Berger presented Bennett with a Certificate of Merit on behalf of the CJF.

Reporting on last year's UJA campaign, past chairman Stan Paikin said the community can be proud of its response to Project Renewal and that "Hamilton stood like a shining light in all of Ontario."

He noted the 2% "card per card" increase over last year in both the men's and women's campaigns and congratulated last year's women's division chairman Shirley Molot on her success. The women's campaign, he said, accounts for 15% of the total campaign.

But a 2% increase in a 10% inflation economy "means we are not keeping pace," Paikin said before introducing 1981 chairman Bernie Katz, "who is coming in with some very new ideas."

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Rose maintains Communist world is divided as it criticizes USSR's anti-semitic policies

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO — A torrent of criticism has rained down upon the Soviet Union because of its human rights violations — not only from the non-Communist world but also from within Communist ranks, says Alan Rose, executive vice-president of Canadian Jewish Congress.

In particular, it is the issue of Soviet Jewry which repeatedly arouses the severest condemnation for the USSR, says Rose.

In a review of his recent trip to Madrid where the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe is now going on, he maintains that the USSR's anti-semitic policies have divided the Communist world.

Italian and Spanish Communist parties and leading Communist ideologues are hitting hard at the Soviet Union for its harassment and detention of Refuseniks who want to leave — as well as Soviet Jewish activists who want to stay but want more freedom of religious and cultural expression, he says.

Rose spoke recently at Adath Israel Synagogue in the first of a series of forums on anti-semitism planned by the international affairs committee of Canadian Jewish Congress.

He paid tribute to the Soviet Jewry groups which worked long and hard to keep their cause up front on the conference's agenda. In particular, he praised the comprehensive documentation of human rights violations against Jews which was distributed at the conference.

"It was hot stuff at Madrid," he said, referring to a so-called Blue Book which offers a legal citation of cases, and a Yellow Book which documents the case histories of about 500 Soviet Refuseniks.

In Rose's view, both books provided fodder for the West's assault on what is regarded as the USSR's contemptuous disregard for the human rights provisions of the Helsinki Final Act (HFA).

Rose told his audience that even though the HFA is primarily a political statement of intent — and not a legal or binding treaty — it still has great significance for Soviet Jews.

The HFA — or Helsinki Accords as they are also known — refers to the agreement signed by 35 nations at the first Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe (CSCE) in 1975.

The 35 nations include Canada and the United States along with 33 European nations. Not so well known, said Rose, is the fact that CSCE also involves co-operation with Mediterranean countries such as Israel — and many Arab states — which are allowed to send representatives to CSCE even though they do not participate in formal talks.

He reviewed the CSCE's original intent which is to break the cycle of intermittent wars in Europe and set up a climate of military detente and economic co-operation.

Rose said the HFA has three major concerns — or "baskets" as they are called: secure borders, economic co-operation and human contact — the free flow of people and information across borders.

Rose cautioned that the West should not be deluded about Soviet intentions in signing the HFA.

"There was one continuous thread in the woof and warp of Soviet foreign policy between 1945 and 1975," he pointed out, "and that was recognition of the borders of the Soviet bloc countries in Eastern Europe."

Soviet Russia has to know, said Rose, that "real detente can only take place when there is reciprocity . . . and in terms of the third basket . . . not only has there been no reciprocity . . . but there have been violations from beginning to end . . . since the HFA was signed.

"There must be trade offs," Rose insisted. "The internal situation in the USSR is a catastrophe. If Russia wants trade credits, if it wants to become a post-industrial economy, it must learn that it has to abide by the human rights provisions of the HFA."

Turning to the general problem of anti-semitism in Europe, Rose observed that economic crises across Europe provide the fertile background for both left and right-wing groups to attack Jews.

He called the Soviet Union the "greatest generator" of anti-semitism in the world today, and indicated that there is mounting evidence that the PLO set off the bomb outside of the Rue Copernic Synagogue in October.

On the right, he said, neo-Nazi groups such as the National Front party in Britain are among those responsible for distributing hate literature and the desecration of Jewish cemeteries and synagogues.

Rose alluded also to a plot by fascists who are thought "to be busy laying the groundwork for the slaughter of leading British Jews." Unusually high rates of employment and economic disintegration within Britain are creating "plenty of people with idle hands," Rose observed, "who are just itching to unleash their frustration."

The demonization of the Jew is still a reality, Rose concluded. Both the left and right are mounting the same slanderous syllogism: Zionism is Nazism, Nazism is racism, therefore, Zionism is racism.

Prosecution for war crimes will take time—Kaplan

[Cont'd. from page 1]

landed immigrant status, no such question is asked. Nor does such a provision for revocation of citizenship exist. In fact, it's almost impossible to revoke citizenship in Canada, said Kaplan.

The program also alluded to the thorny problem of retroactivity which has hounded legislators who are loathe to prosecute people for crimes which were not Canadian offences at the time they were committed.

Despite the caveats he proferred about prosecution, Kaplan stated unequivocally: "The issue of war criminals living in Canada is a real problem." He said their presence "is a great offence to our sense of justice."

Kaplan met with famed Nazi-hunter Simon Wiesenthal in Washington last April. After a two-hour consultation with Wiesenthal, Kaplan said he was "satisfied" that "solid evidence" exists on the war criminal activity of certain Canadian residents.

Wiesenthal, who also was interviewed for Fifth Estate, said he has a "good impression" of the "seriousness" of Kaplan's purpose. "I give him credit that he will look for justice."

But despite the confidence he professed he had for Kaplan, Wiesenthal nonetheless revealed that he was going to "test the sincerity of the Canadian government" by giving it the names of three documented war criminals now living in Vancouver, Winnipeg and Toronto.

"Now the government says it must have time to look for solutions — O.K., so I will wait. I'm used to waiting," said the man who has stalked Nazi war criminals for 35 years since the war ended.

Wiesenthal commented that he has been so "frustrated" with Canadian government inactivity on the matter of war criminals that he has refused to accept any invitations to lecture in Canada. "Because I never saw any progress. I say I cannot go to such a country (as Canada)," he said.

Wiesenthal claimed that about 1,000 war criminals emigrated to Canada from East European countries posing as war refugees fleeing Communism.

East European governments, such as Poland, have informed the Canadian government about alleged war criminals living in Canada, but the Canadian government so far has refused either to investigate these cases or set up extradition treaties with East European Communist countries which would allow for the transfer of these alleged criminals.

Canada does, however, have extradtion treaties with Israel and West Germany — both of whom have amply demonstrated their seriousness in bringing war criminals to trial — and several months ago, Kaplan told The CJN that extradition to Israel and West Germany is one of the options being considered by the government's inter-ministerial committees on war criminals.

Wiesenthal, who survived the Holocaust but lost his family, believes no quarter should ever be given to war criminals. "At least expose who they are," he urged. In his view, the ignominy suffered should be part of their punishment.

More important, punishment is a warning for the criminals of tomorrow. "They should never feel safe," he commented. "If we pardon one genocide, we pardon another."

Ahavat Israel shul brings worshippers to first Shabbat in former art shop

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO — Toronto gave birth to a store front shul recently in a small plaza at Bathurst and Eglinton.

About 35 men, women and children attended the inaugural Shabbat morning service of Rabbi Meir Gottesman's Ahavat Israel Congregation, on the former premises of an art shop in the Northern Plaza.

Although services were traditional — a mechitza separated the men from the women — they were open to all segments of the community, according to Rabbi Gottesman.

In his welcome, he said: "I don't care if you're Reform, Conservative or Orthodox — you and your friends are all welcome here. We don't go by labels. A Jew is a Jew.

"Ahavat Israel means love of Israel . . . of all the Jewish people."

Among the congregants were former bar mitzvah boys who Rabbi Gottesman trained during his tenure as assistant rabbi of the Beth Sholom Synagogue, and their parents. Several members of that Conservative synagogue were also present. One remarked that he was seeking "more traditional Jewish knowledge and expression."

Most of the assembled participated directly in the service. Kiddush was given by Irving Weiszner, a local baker.

In his sermon, Rabbi Gottesman admitted to some indecision in inaugurating services before all renovations were completed. "The show windows are covered with paper, the repainting hasn't been completed and there's no carpet on the floor. Under such circumstances, should we hold services?

"I looked through all my books for an answer. Nowhere could I find written that God listens to prayers only if there's a carpet on the floor," he said.

Rabbi Gottesman, a columnist for The Canadian Jewish News, operates a dating service and a book store. One day a week, he teaches in the community of Owen Sound.

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Gerald Kruger [left] and Deena Ages [right] present a check for $400, on behalf of their grade 9 class at Associated Hebrew Schools, to Judy Feld Carr, outgoing chairman of the Canadian Jewish Congress Jews in Arab Lands Committee. Money was collected for Syrian Jewry.

Hamilton JCC move postponed till June

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — The sale of the Hamilton Jewish Community Centre building at 57 Delaware Ave. has run into problems and the move to temporary quarters in the west end of the city has been postponed until June.

The announcement was made by JCC president Abe Szpirglas at the recent combined JCC and Hamilton Jewish Federation annual general meeting.

The move is stalled because the pruchaser, the Maranatha Missionary Bible Church, failed to sell its Hughson St. building and is at present unable to raise the necessary funds.

"We have agreed to give them a further extension of six months," said H.J.F. president Norman Bennett. The deal has been renegotiated, he explained, and under the revised terms the purchaser "will have to give us the entire purchase price of $510,000 rather than our taking back the mortgage," as had been agreed originally.

Also, under the revised terms, the group will forfeit $25,000 if the deal falls through.

The centre was to have moved at the end of December and the weekend's reunion dance and other events planned as part of the farewell festivities, although not cancelled, have lost some of their effect.

"It was a very tumultuous year," noted Szpirglas in his report on the year's activities. But, although the centre had to operate "under very severe budgetary restraints," he was able to point to a number of major successes, among them Camp Kadimah, the JCC day camp, "which we brought back home this year and which turned out to have been inordinately successful."

Among other successful programs, he singled out the new baseball league and the centre's participation in the HarvesTrek folk festival last fall.

"We have, in the past year, seen more people taking part in the JCC programs and we would like to expand our programs," Szpirglas told the assembly. He hoped that the centre, which has not had an athletic director for more than 10 years since the death of Max Rotman, would work towards getting a new one and he suggested that "we look at new ways of fund raising and become more sophisticated in that area."

Fitness instructor Carroll Wasserman was presented with a plaque marking his 30 years of volunteer service with the centre "and still going strong," as executive director Sam Browstone put it. Wasserman also received tickets to Florida for him and his wife Sylvia.

Barbara Pollack, a past president of the JCC, has joined Mel Gunn as co-chairman of the planning and building committee.

Jimmy Kay is flanked by David Blank and Nat Hurwich at meeting of synagogue division. Hurwich and Blank are chairman and vice-chairman of the division.

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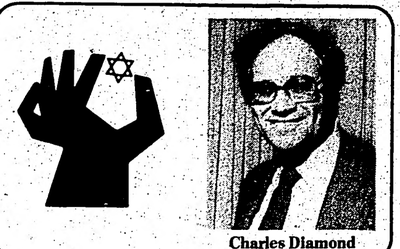

Charles Diamond

This is the beginning of a series of guest columns by the campaign leadership. Charles Diamond is co-chairman of the Campaign Executive and Cabinet.

UJA has taken on a new vitality this year and it should be a good basis on which to carry us through the 80's. There is a sense of urgency and commitment. The number of young people involved in leadership is growing and that is very important to our future as a Jewish community.

The drive to reach out to high school and university students, as well as young adults and young executives, is vital. Representatives of all these groups are attending cabinet meetings, many taking time out from their studies. Their presence provides new direction and energy to the campaign as a whole.

Our special events have been very successful this year from the opening dinner at **Jimmy Kay's** home, the evening at the **Irving Gersteins**, to **Arey Nesher** and the Women's Division **UJA Day**, with **Bella Abzug** as the speaker, not to mention the several weeks that **Zvi Garcy** was here addressing a number of meetings.

Working with people like **David Marks, Jimmy Kay, Chuck Gold, Max Handelman, Adrienne Offman** and so many others, is a great experience. Why? Because they do it out of love for Israel and for our own community in Toronto. As for **Mark Gryfe** of the UJA office, I find I'm beginning to miss his constant pestering.

However, I do admit that there are frustrating aspects of working in the campaign. Foremost is the lack of new people joining the ranks of canvassers. Next to that, what bothers me most are the people who wait to be approached for a gift instead of coming forward on their own. But like everything else in life, nothing's perfect.

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I've come across a piece written for a B'nai B'rith lodge newsletter by **Harvey Rosen**, chairman of the Food and Hotel group this year. Harvey wrote it after his trip to Israel and I've selected some of what he has to say, which I believe is pertinent to all of us.

"Perhaps, like many of us who have visited Israel, a feeling develops within us that when we come back we will do more than we have done before. Then we come back and well, we are so busy . . . with ourselves.

"Every once in a while we recall our promises. As much as we mean well by those promises, to keep them might entail having to go to a meeting of a fund-raising dinner. So we excuse ourselves with things like 'that's been our card night for so many years,' or 'there's a movie on TV I don't want to miss,' or how about 'I'm entitled to relax sometimes.' Sure. Why not relax? After all, between 1939 and 1945 six million of us were allowed to relax permanently.

"While I can't give you any guarantees it won't happen again, the chances are greatly reduced as long as there is a strong and viable State of Israel. One very important way for this to continue is for us, the Jews of the Diaspora, to STOP doing our minimum and settling for nothing short of our **maximum**, be it in dollars or in personal involvement."

Well said, Harvey!

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As this column is being prepared, the news is out that our "Great UJA Buddy-up Day" on December 11 was a recordbreaker. . . . Results in at this time show $650,000 for the day in pledges — a record; over 50 Major Gift cards completed — a record; a 25% increase maintained — a record; and finally the campaign total of $10,000,000 at this date — a record.

Let's keep it up in the new year.

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David Nathanson, chairman for the Lawyers division has nothing but praise for canvasser **Ellen Cohen**. He refers to her as a one-women dynamo, both in canvassing her own prospects as well as in her recruitment of young lawyers as workers and contributors to UJA.

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I've enjoyed having this unique opportunity to talk about UJA and while I'm at it I wish all of you a very healthy and happy New Year!

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IT'S YOUR UJA

Hospital standards praised

JERUSALEM — It is as advantageous for Canadian doctors to go to the Middle East as it is for doctors from that part of the world to come to Canada, according to Dr. David Hendel, an orthopedic specialist at Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Hospital.

Hendel recently returned to Jerusalem after having spent 1½ years in Toronto — six months at Mount Sinai and one year at the Hospital for Sick Children. It would have taken him three years in Israel to see the same variety and quantity of cases as he did in the one year at Sick Kids, he said.

"There are 12 Israeli doctors at Sick Kids now," Hendel observed during his last week here. "Sick Kids is famous worldwide for its quality of care and high standards. Those of us who can come here are very lucky."

Similarly, he believed that Canadian medical practitioners can learn much by coming to his part of the world. "The doctors would observe and possibly treat diseases and conditions they might otherwise know about only from books," he remarked. "Canadians especially would have excellent opportunities, because they would be easily admitted to the Arab hospitals where some of the truly interesting cases are to be found. What's interesting, too, is how people's diseases change once they move from other Middle Eastern countries and become westernized."

Many new medical techniques have been developed in Israel, he noted. Of necessity, air rescue, army medicine and care in the battlefield have been vastly perfected.

Although the United States did much of this during the Korean and Vietnam conflicts, Israel has fought two wars since Vietnam and has gone well beyond American expertise in this area, Hendel said.

Shaare Zedek's burn treatment and plastic surgery departments are internationally renowned. Victims of European disasters are frequently sent there for treatment.

"While we are more modest in the amount of equipment we have than North American hospitals," Hendel said, "we do have the most important tools and the knowledge and techniques. Most of our medical equipment comes from the United States, but Israel is developing its own production. The CAT scanner is made there, for example, and at least one other manufacturer was starting up when I left for Canada."

While at Sick Kids, Hendel worked with Dr. Walter Bobechko, chief of orthopedics, who has made several working visits to Shaare Zedek. Hendel plans to inaugurate the first spinal disease [scoliosis] treatment centre in the Middle East during the coming year.

Hendel said the staff at Shaare Zedek is pleased to have Canadian visitors tour the medical centre. Anyone planning to visit Jerusalem may call the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation to make arrangements. In Toronto, call (416) 781-3584; Montreal, (514) 737-1716; Winnipeg, (204) 786-6653 and Calgary, (403) 281-0404.

CHIN president says station didn't give KKK a podium

TORONTO — Radio station CHIN of Toronto isn't happy about being lumped together with other radio stations alleged to have given too much publicity to the Ku Klux Klan because they apparently wanted to stir up controversy for open-line talk shows.

CHIN president Johnny Lombardi states in a letter (sent to John Meisel, chairman of the CRTC and quoted in a letter from Carl Redhead, CHIN's vice-president to Rabbi Jordan Pearlson, national chairman of JCRC) that the station deliberately tried to present a "balanced" show on Sept. 11 which would not only represent the views of someone like KKK spokesman Alex McQuiter but also Dr. Wilson Head, chairman of the National Black Coalition of Canada.

Lombardi referred to a CJN story dated Oct. 23 which quoted Rabbi Pearlson as including CHIN on a list of Ontario radio station "giving the KKK a podium in which to spread hate propaganda."

Lombardi rejects any allegation that "generous time and exposure" was allotted to the KKK. In fact, there was only one show, he said, and that show "was so arranged . . . so as to confront McQuirter with one of the groups against whom the klan is prejudiced.

". . . It was generally concluded by CHIN listeners that McQuirter and the KKK lost the pro-KKK argument. . . . We could not have balanced the show better."

Host on the CHIN open mike show was Gil Christy, whom Lombardi describes as "one of the most liberal-minded, pro-multicultural spokesmen in Canada.

Lombardi pointed out that CHIN was built . . . "to champion the cause of minority rights . . . and promised to secure the needs of those minority groups in broadcasting programs in over 30 languages."

In his view, the CHIN program, in Christy's experienced hands, actually succeeded in "exposing the KKK for what it really represents."

Lombardi said that CHIN "has never been, nor will it ever be, part of any scheme or operation to further the interests of those bent on inciting and encouraging racial hatred or discrimination.

"We believed then and we believe now that CHIN performed a great public service in airing the program in the manner in which we did."

McMaster gives show to Israel

HAMILTON — The tape of a 30-minute program on Jerusalem, broadcast over McMaster University's CFMU-FM radio station on Nov. 27, Jerusalem Day, has been presented to Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek.

The program drew such an enthusiastic response that efforts are now under way to interest local radio station CHML in broadcasting it. Whether or not this is accomplished, "we hope to have it on CFMU again," says Danny Kollek.

Kollek, a second-year science student who prepared the tape "from top to bottom," is an Israeli who came to McMaster after his army service with hopes of entering medical school.

He is currently the ombudsman for the McMaster Jewish Student Association-Hillel, a position he assumed last year.

Good way to judge research is by the money it receives

ST. CATHARINES — A panel discussion on work being done in many areas of scientific research at the Weizmann Institute in Israel, brought out a capacity audience to a recent meeting of the St. Catharines B'nai Israel Breakfast Club.

Two community members, Mrs. Nora Fenig and Dr. Hyman Singer, recently returned from a tour of Weizmann Institute laboratories, joined a panel that included Dr. Aaron Malkin, a member of the Canadian Weizmann Society's medical committee and head of the department of clinical biochemistry at Sunnybrook Hospital and moderator Bill Stern, director of regions of the society.

Singer told the gathering about his tour of the Weizmann's cancer research centre — a centre which involves half of the 1,500 researchers, engineers, technicians and scientists-in-training employed at the institute.

Singer told of an experiment that's currently under way in the Weizmann labs where mice are injected with a new cancer treatment, and the steps which are leading to the treatment's modification and development as a promising new drug, Donamycin.

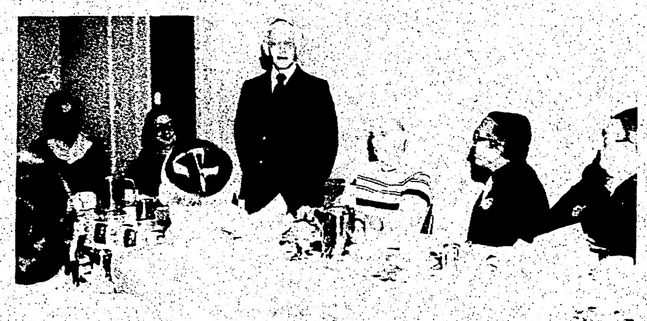
Fenig said scientists at the institute are facing many problems in their research as a result of inflation.

In summing up, Malkin said: "We can judge quality more precisely in a system called peer review, a process which goes on almost every year.

"In applying for grants to do scientific work," Malkin continued, "scientists have to submit an application to a granting agency for funds. This is not for themselves, but is for their staff and for supplies and equipment."

Malkin said once the applications are made they are sent to various granting agencies where they are reviewed by a panel of scientists. He pointed out that there is a limited amount of money available for funding, and that not all researchers get the full amount requested.

However, one good way to judge the excellence of an institution's research is to see how much funding it does receive, he added.



Among participants at the Weizmann breakfast in St. Catharines were: Dr. Jack Miller, Sydney Goldford, Dr. Aaron Malkin, Myron Shoshan, Bill Stern and Dr. Hyman Singer.

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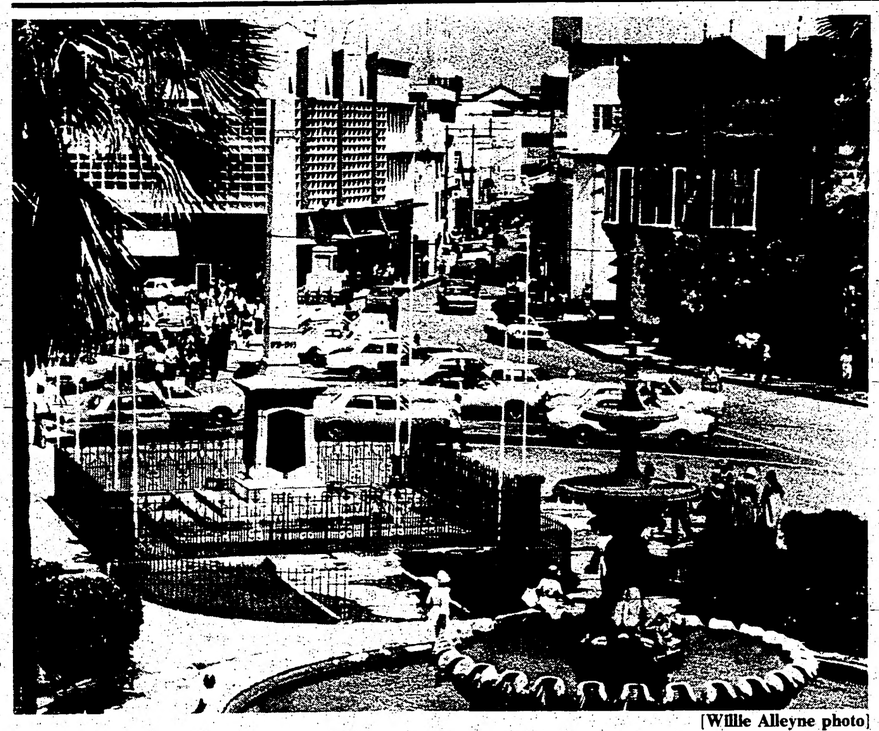

[Willie Alleyne photo]

Fountain in foreground of bustling Bridgetown was presented in 1864 by John Montefiore, member of a Jewish family then living on the island.

Very delicious flying fish are a highlight in Barbados

By JAMES MONTAGNES

More Canadians come to Barbados than to probably any other island in the former British West Indian colonies. Canadians come as tourists, and as investors, with numerous hotels now built or managed by Canadians.

There are two novelties in Barbados which you will not find elsewhere in the Caribbean — delicious flying fish and harbor police dressed as sailors of Lord Nelson's time.

If you are sailing, cruising or even flying in a small plane, you are bound to see flying fish across the water with their wings outstretched like the wings of a plane. They are brought to shore daily and served in most hotels and restaurants, fried to a golden brown, tasty with a nutty flavor.

There is a great variety of other fish available on the island as well, for deepsea fishing is a major sport. The local fishermen also bring in quantities of dolphin, grouper, red snapper, wahoo, even octopus if you want something unusual.

Along the harbor, and at rush hours at the busy bus terminal, you will find police who look like old-time sailors. They wear white middies with blue collar, bellbottom trousers and flat-brimmed straw hats. They are a reminder that Lord Nelson spent time on the island, as he did on other Caribbean islands.

On Trafalgar Square, a focal point in the capital city of Bridgetown, is a statue of Lord Nelson which predates that on Trafalgar Square in London by 27 years.

But neither the colorful policemen nor the fine seafood are the major attractions to this 160-square mile island. It is the 35 miles (56 kilometres) of fine pink and white sand beaches which bring most visitors to this most eastern of the Caribbean islands.

Barbados is probably the most densely populated island in the West Indies. Some 260,000 people live there, yet there are stretches of deserted beaches, green hillsides and acres and acres of sugar cane fields. While sugar is still the main crop, tourism is the second most important industry.

The sun shines most days of the year, the climate averages between 70 and 86 degrees Fahrenheit [21 and 30 Celsius] all year, and there are always cool breezes from the Atlantic and Caribbean areas.

Luxury and first class hotels are numerous, most under 100 rooms. There are also a growing number of apartments and guest houses for those who come to stay longer than a week or two. Accommodations are spread throughout the island, most in the Bridgetown area, but also many along the beaches around the island.

While most hotels also serve meals, a number of restaurants serve local Banjan fare. Seafood is a major item. Try some locally-grown breadfruit — it tastes like bread — as well various ways in which bananas are prepared. The water supply is satisfactory.

The island has a network of good roads, and is primarily British in atmosphere since it has been an English colony since 1627 until its independence in 1966. The main spectator sport is cricket and there are three major horse races a year, while golf can be played on several courses.

The Atlantic shore on the northern part of the island has been described as a miniature Cornish coast. In stormy weather waves crash against the coral cliffs, the only rugged section of an otherwise sandy beach shoreline.

As you travel the narrow roads, many through sugar cane fields, you will pass fine old plantation homes, some still occupied by descendants of the original builders. Arrangements can be made through the Barbados Tourist Board to visit some of these old homes.

There are windmills still operating to crush sugar cane to make rum for which Barbados is famous. But most sugar cane is now crushed with electrically-powered machinery.

Claimed as the most beautiful beach on the island is Paradise Beach on Freshwater Bay on the west coast.

While there are few Jews living on the island today, there has been a Jewish community since 1650 when Jews from Brazil came there as refugees. There are traces of an old synagogue in what is now an office building and there is an old cemetery on Synagogue Lane in the downtown area of Bridgetown.

There are some relics of the old synagogue in the Barbados Museum and there is a Montefiore Fountain opposite the public library in downtown Bridgetown.

New flock of tourists hits Israel — they come for sun, sea and adventure

By DIANA LERNER

TEL AVIV —

The blonde, handsome Viking behind me in the line at the supermarket was having trouble with the cashier. He knew no Hebrew; she no English. I volunteered as an interpreter. Gratefully, he helped me with my parcels.

"Do you live in Tel Aviv?" he asked.

"Yes."

"Such a beautiful city!"

I was astounded. Never had I heard our bustling, noisy, Jewish city called beautiful before.

"Where do you come from?" I asked.

"From Copenhagen."

"Well, now that's a beautiful, city," I exclaimed.

"Oh, but Tel Aviv is **ours.**" I heard to my astonishment. I was stunned to learn this young man was Jewish. The others who resembled him that I noted on the beaches here, roaming the Artists Quarter in Jaffa, camping outdoors in the Yarkon Park, far away at the aqua sports diving centre in Eilat, had been German, Scandinavian, British, Dutch gentiles.

The tourist profile has changed drastically in the past two years and Israel is no longer mainly a sentimental journey for Jewish travelers.

While some still do come because it is the Jewish homeland or to visit relatives and religious sites, Israel is beginning to attract more of an entirely different type of tourist: the vacationer, sun and sea worshipper, spa and health-cure faddist, the adventurer in search of a new place to visit.

Over a third of the total number of visitors from the European continent come for holiday purposes, reports Michael Gidron, spokesman for the Tourism Administration. This despite competition from Greece, Spain and other attractive resorts. The greatest number of European visitors these days are from Germany with Scandinavia following closely and England and France now down to third and fourth places.

There is a leaning toward less luxurious hotel accommodation and preference for outdoor, sports and health spots.

This new type of tourist is flocking to the Dead Sea, Tiberias Springs, Sea of Galilee, western Galilee, camping sites around the country and in huge numbers in Eilat and the Sinai even in summer.

For the first time this year, from April to date, there has been uninterrupted traffic to Eilat and the rugged tip of the Sinai where throngs of foreign visitors may be found swimming, fishing, boating, diving and sightseeing, in an unprecedented boom of tourism to this region.

Lifting of the government's ban on charter flights, too, has greatly increased the influx of tourists. Gidron points to the numerous charter flights coming directly to Eilat from airports abroad, even — for the first time — from such places as Spain and Luxembourg.

El Al too is chartering some of the traffic. Despite its former strong objections to charters it has increased these by 40% this season. And, in fact, the airline has turned over a new leaf, its eight workers' committees pledging to co-operate with management to improve the company's image impaired over years by wildcat strikes, delays and unreliable service.

7% increase in tourism

Inauguration of flights between Tel Aviv and Cairo by El Al is another development in the right direction, enabling visitors who wish to cover both countries during one trip to the region, to make the hour-long journey for $170 round trip.

In the first half of 1980, a total of 577,000 tourists arrived here, marking a 7% increase over the same period last year.

Israel's income from foreign tourism exceeded its import of tourist services by some $500 million, according to the Bank of Israel foreign currency examiner. The average income per tourist showed an increase of 25% from 1978, a much bigger increase than the dollar's fall in value, according to the Bank.

Despite all this, however, the hotel industry is facing a crisis, reporting that it is struggling to keep head above water. Some hotels are losing money due to the high operational costs, tour operators' fees and runaway inflation, states the general manager of the Tel Aviv Hilton.

Nevertheless, one witnesses here the paradox of a constant rise of new hotels. The Sheraton Hotel is constructing luxury hotels in Jerusalem and Eilat; the Schiff hotel chain has a plan for six new hotels in five different locations, including apartment hotels and the conversion of the President Hotel in Jerusalem into a 500-room giant luxury hotel. The chain is adding 1,200 rooms to the existing 1,800 rooms in Schiff hotels around the country.

Israel is continuing to attract, along with the holiday makers, the usual number of convention participants, pilgrims, businessmen and scholars. Less expensive accommodations are constantly being provided for them — the type which is more suitable to needs of these travelers.

Camping sites, more reasonably priced hotels as well as sports and entertainment facilities in different parts of the country are other focal points of infrastructure on which the Tourist Administration is now concentrating.

Most visitors questioned express satisfaction with their trip and readiness to recommend Israel as a tourist destination, according to a report of the Central Bureau of Statistics. This is gratifying news for the industry and for the country.

Generally, tour operators are hopeful that Israel's almost year-round sunshine and charms as a resort will continue to bring visitors to the area, even in difficult economic times. Every country is into travel, they contend, and Israel is more attractive than many places, with its combination of Mediterranean sun and historical - religious interest.

Development of tourism depends on the industry's ability to provide the facilities needed by all types of tourists at reasonable and competitive prices. Given this — the prospects look as bright as Israel's summer skies.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

United Jewish Appeal of Metropolitan Toronto 1981 Campaign Appointments

JOHN ALEXANDER ALVIN SCHRAGE

Jimmy Kay, Chairman of the 1981 United Jewish Appeal Campaign, is pleased to announce the appointments of John Alexander and Alvin Schrage as co-chairmen of the Graphic Communications Division.

Six sea lions are now in training for shows in Israel's dolphinarium

TEL AVIV —

Six unusual immigrants from California are adjusting well in their new Tel Aviv home and getting high marks in training for their new career. They are sea lions flown in from Los Angeles to their new abode — the Tel Aviv dolphinarium now going up on the city's sea front.

The dolphins who lend their name to the new enterprise are due soon from the Red Sea and will join the sea lions as well as aquatic ballerinas in daily performances when the marine complex opens in April.

The dolphins and sea lions will be only part of the dolphinarium, and so will the entertainment. The centre is being set up as a marineland, where Mediterranean, Atlantic, Red Sea and river and swamp environments will be faithfully reproduced for purposes of study and research.

But even these sections, where no performances are planned, will be entertaining enough for the public at large. One of the aquariums will surround the viewers on all sides, while another will display sharks and other predators with whom a face-to-face confrontation under normal circumstances would be fatal.

Still, the daily performers will no doubt attract the largest crowds, being not only a novelty in Israel, but also more elaborate and original than in most dolphinariums in the world.

During the day the dolphins and sea lions will show their antics in the open-air amphitheatre. Evenings they will be joined by the ballerinas in floodlit underwater shows watched by the audience in the 400-seat underground auditorium through a 9-metre glass window.

The pioneering California sea lions were accompanied on their flight by Jeff Zimmerman, 29, a former trainer at Los Angeles Marineland, and now a trainer at the Tel Aviv dolphinarium. His charges were washed up on the California beach and taken to the Los Angeles establishment, where they got three months' preliminary training before their flight to Tel Aviv. They are getting an additional six months' training before their maiden appearance as pros.

Two more trainers, from South Africa, will arrive together with the dolphins. They will train not only the animals but also the humans who will put them through their paces.

Ten Israelis, among them marine biologists and housewives, are getting ready to work with the animals.

The Tel Aviv dolphinarium, set in landscaped gardens on the shore between Tel Aviv and ancient Jaffa, will also comprise shops and restaurants. Its many-faceted aquatic attractions should appeal to many Israeli and overseas visitors when the gates open in April 1981.

[RMI photo]

Barbara Reik [right] chats with sea lions at Tel Aviv dolphinarium.

Tel Aviv hotels' manager named

TEL AVIV —

Ilan Wachsler has been named general manager of the Diplomat and Marina hotels here, according to an announcement from Haim Shiff, president of the chain which operates the hotels.

Wachsler will assume management of the 5-Star Diplomat and 4-star Marina, located on Tel Aviv's Mediterranean beachfront, after serving as general manager of the Sharon Hotel, Herzlia, since 1977.

With a total of 500 rooms, the Diplomat and Marina Hotels represent the Tel Aviv facilities of the Shiff Group which includes 1,800 rooms in seven hotels in Jerusalem, Netanya, Sharm - E - Sheikh, as well as Tel Aviv.

Shiff recently announced a $300 million expansion program which includes construction of six new hotels, with 1,500 rooms, in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Eilat and Haifa.

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TORONTO —

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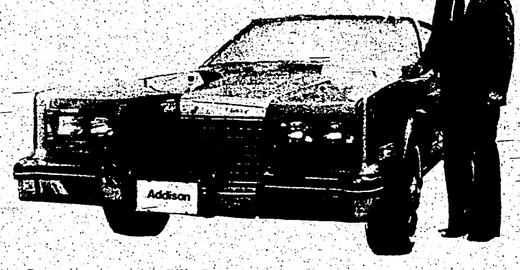

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Among those at the opening ceremonies were [from left]: Lieutenant-governor John Black Aird, Jane Mahut and Marvelle and Murray Koffler.

Artisan 78 at the Koffler featuring 122 craftsmen

By ANDREA PARKER

TORONTO —

An orange butterfly with inlaid, jewel-like designs in blue, spread over a brown, beige and white quilt, looks as if it is ready to fly around the Koffler Gallery to inspect the Artisan 78 craft exhibition, on display until Jan. 15.

This quilt, by Beverly Reid of Richmond, B.C., is one of the works from 122 artisans from every province in Canada and the Northwest Territories. The Artisan 78 catalogue explains that all the items will form the nucleus of the Canadian Crafts Council's permanent collection, which will ultimately be housed in Ottawa.

Jane Mahut, director of the Koffler Galler and Art Studios, explained that the show has been exhibited in the West and East, but has not been picked up by other galleries in Ontario. She said that she requested the show since it is the policy of the Koffler Gallery to feature up to 50% in craftwork.

The varying array of crafts includes objects made in clay, fibre, glass, leather, metal, wood and other materials, attractively displayed in specially designed butternut furniture.

The leaves surrounding the fiery gold flowers on an enamelled dish called "Chrysanthemums," by Fay Rooke of Burlington, Ont., make the item look as delicate as any real flower might be.

The saying "you can't trust a book by its cover" is very appropriate for the large, black handbound book with "The Tempest," by Shakespeare, printed in French and beautifully illustrated with watercolors by Pierre Ouvrad of St-Paul-de-l'ileaux-Noix, Que. His figures of the characters in the play blend into the cloud-like hazy backgrounds of brown and blue.

About 250 people attended the official opening of the exhibit by Lieutenant-Governor John Black Aird, the patron of crafts for Ontario, who was piped into the gallery. Bernard Dales, president of the JCC, introduced the Lieutenant-Governor, who was presented with a blue/black teapot and six cups, all created by Ruth Gowdy McKinley, from Mississauga.

After a few words by Charley Farrero, president of the Canadian Craft Council, Ann Mortimer, immediate past president of the CCC and William Hodge, immediate past president of the Ontario Craft Council, were presented with gifts created by artists exhibiting at the show. When the presentations were over, Murray Koffler invited the guests to toast the craftsmen and women with Canadian champagne.

Appropriate quotations enhance the various crafts, including one from "The Unknown Craftsman," which gives advice to the viewer on how to examine the show: "First, put aside the desire to judge immediately, acquire the habit of just looking. Second, do not treat the object as an object for the intellect. Third, just be ready to perceive, passively, without interposing yourself."

In the Gallery Shoppe, viewers can buy crafts such as glass art, stained glass, porcelain and masks by some of the artisans exhibiting in the show.

The exhibition was made possible with a gift from Jean A. Chalmers, a grant from Wintario and funding from the museum assistance programs of the National Museums of Canada.

Exhibit of art

TORONTO —

The 5th annual civil service artists exhibition, the largest yet, is featured at Queens Park until Jan. 11.

The display shows works in a variety of materials created by current and retired members of the Ontario public service.

There are 116 works in the juried exhibition, the creations of 75 artists.

The multi-media exhibition, in the Macdonald Gallery of Queens Park, at 900 Bay St. at Wellesly, is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday to Friday and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays. There is no admission charge.

Carl Sagan's "Cosmos" comes alive — 250 full-color illustrations from space

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By BERNARD BASKIN

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Carl Sagan is a phenomenon. He is, without question, the world's foremost popularizer of science. A frequent visitor on Carson's Tonight Show, he has charmed and edified millions of viewers with his imaginative speculations about extraterrestrial life, space travel, the UFO sightings, the elusive track of human evolution, the astonishing capacity of the brain, and a dozen other exciting subjects.

In addition to over 400 published scientific articles he is author, co-author, or editor of more than a dozen books. In 1978 he was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for literature. The 13-part television series called "Cosmos" on which this book is based was two years in the making. One of the most intellectually rigorous programs of its kind ever produced on TV, it was acclaimed by a multitude enthusiasts.

Cosmos, alive with over 250 full-color illustrations, conveys a great deal of information in a manner both charming and comprehensible. The main themes of the 13 chapters such as spacecraft missions of discovery, the origin of life, the lives of the stars and galaxies, and the relationship between science and civilization, are interwoven with surprising and unexpected information.

We learn about the fabulous library of ancient Alexandria, the function of hieroglyphics, the lives and contributions of great scientists through the ages, why the sphinx is gradually disintegrating, the definition of a googol, the Aztec contributions to knowledge and how the earth can send into space an "unambiguously artificial, intersteller message."

It was no surprise to learn that comets have always evoked fear and superstition. It seemed inconceivable that a spectacular streak of milk-white flame, rising and setting with the stars night after night, was not there for a reason and did not hold some portent for human affairs. So the idea arose that comets were harbingers of disaster — that they foretold the deaths of princes, the fall of kingdoms. The Babylonians thought that comets were celestial beards; the Arabs were reminded of flaming swords.

With a relatively meagre fund of scientific knowledge I was able to understand about three quarters of the material on my first reading and am eager to go back and absorb the rest.

The author sums up his hopes for the future this way:

"Our intelligence has recently provided us with awesome powers. It is not yet clear that we have the wisdom to avoid our own self-destruction. But many of us are trying very hard. We hope that very soon in the perspective of cosmic time we will have unified our planet peacefully into an organization cherishing the life of every living creature on it and will be ready to take that next great step, to become part of a galactic society of communicating civilizations."

Sagan estimates that as many as 150 million people may have watched the television series. He results that this is 3% of the world's population. He surmises that perhaps 100,000 of these viewers will be young people who may be motivated to enter the study of science. A handful of these make important and enduring contributions. As he says: "That's a tremendous impact."

"Moses in the Galaxy" highlights program at St. Lawrence Centre

music

By RICK KARDONNE

TORONTO —

A highly interesting and admirably adventurous original composition, based on a classical Jewish thematic poem, "Moses in the Galaxy," by Toronto's Nocham Beckerman, highlighted a beautiful well-programmed-and-presented St. Lawrence Centre Town Hall concert, Dec. 13, by the Toronto-based guitar-harpsichord husband-wife duo, Robert and Sarah Feuerstein.

Moses seriously attempts to utilize the great potential of a fairly new instrument, the guitar synthesizer, in electronically expanding the ultimate religious experience of questioning God's basic design.

By exploring this potential, from straightforward electric guitar configurations to maximum reverberation effects (and thus creating a truly authentic other-worldly effect going far beyond gimmickry), Robert Feuerstein has legitimitized electronic music within the scope of contemporary religious Jewish venues.

To my knowledge, this has rarely been done before outside of Israel.

Wisely not falling into the computer-bleep stereotypes of most electronic music today, Moses incorporates some interesting melodic chord harmonies.

Robert Feuerstein performed three other original works on solo guitar. All of them were interesting and listenable. The best one was "Transmutation #1," which, despite its sci-fi-type title, possesses a contemporaty melodic humanism and a compelling sense of continuity.

Feuerstein's compositions were superior to "Episodes" by Toronto composer Thomas Dusatko, which was awarded first prize in composition at the 1978 International Guitar Festival. The basic idea behind this guitar-harpsichord duet — a progression from ordered baroque to anarchic modernity and back again — was way overstretched and overlong.

Pleasant concert features guitar

The rest of this pleasant concert consisted of guitar-harpsichord and guitar-piano duet versions of several baroque and early-classical works, together with a superbly-performed "Cortege" by Claude Debussy. Most of these works were arranged for guitar and keyboard by Feuerstein. The Debussy work was particularly well rendered as its interpretation encapsulated all of that piece's subtly-sensual nuances.

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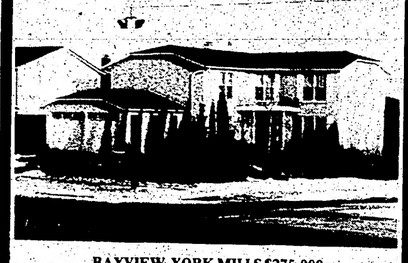

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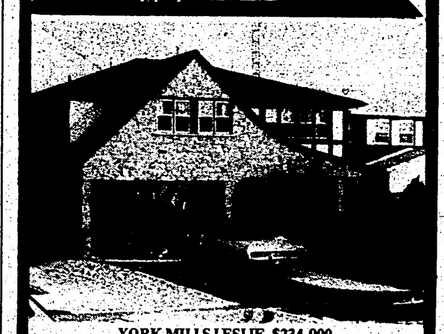

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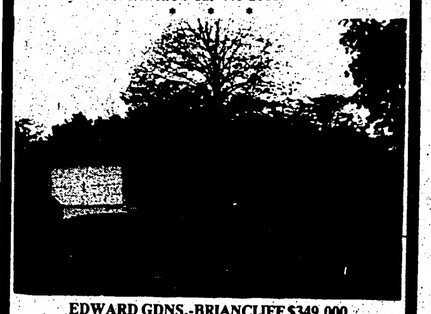

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OBITUARIES

Ammar, Rose on December 2, 1980, late of 1385 Sheppard Ave. E.
Buchler, Friderika on December 8, 1980, late of 325 Bleecker st.
Cargman, Rachel on December 8, 1980, late of 32 Fallingdale Cres.
Ely, Phil on December 5, 1980, late of 12 Rockford Rd.
Lavine, Leo on December 10, 1980, late of 236 Brighton Ave.
Oslinger, Abraham on December 14, 1980, late of 226 Beatrice St.
Pilsmaker, Fred on December 12, 1980, late of 1 Canyon Ave.
Rossett, Dworja, on December 12, 1980, late of 78 Lynn Haven Rd.
Saltzman, Shirley, on December 15, 1980, late of 19 Fourwinds Dr.
Selden, Frank on December 14, 1980, late of 592 Ossington Ave.
Sherman, Alexander, on December 1, 1980, late of 274 Betty Ann Dr.
Stein, Harry on December 5, 1980, late of 640 Sheppard Ave. E.
Title, Pinia on December 16, 1980, late of Baycrest Home For The Aged.
Vamos, Alexander on December 4, 1980, late of 100 Raglan Ave.
Wexler, Gertrude on December 1, 1980, late of 600 Eglinton Ave. W.

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Belz, Saul on November 30, 1980, late of 35 Canyon Ave.
Churgin, Israel on December 1, 1980, late of 115 Anthony Rd.
Cohan, Albert on December 3, 1980, late of 202 Pannahill Rd.
Cohen, Barney on November 27, 1980, late of 21 Tichester.
Dickson, Doris on November 27, 1980, late of 4383 Bathurst St.
Ellis, Ethel on December 2, 1980, late of 32 Hill St.
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[Graphic Artists photo]

B'nai B'rith members participated in a successful United Jewish Appeal telethon recently. Some of those who took part [and reporting great results] were Joe Lester, Sidney Menkis, Mendel Strul, Joe Shabes and Moe Freedman.

BB members assist in telethons for UJA

TORONTO — Local B'nai B'rith members have committed themselves to the support of Israel and of Jewish life in Canada even beyond their own organization's activities.

Consequently, among the most hardworking and diligent volunteers in the annual United Jewish Appeal campaign roster are some of the men who belong to the nearly 30 lodges in Metro Toronto. Under the direction of B'nai B'rith UJA co-chairmen Joe Shabes and Arnold Friedman, three successful telethons have been held so far for the 1981 campaign, resulting in an overall 15% increase in donations to date over last year.

Although Shabes was in Israel during the second telethon and was halfway to the plane for the first, his advance work set the stage for the group. After three years as chairman and 10 as a participant, it's a task that comes easily to him.

Moreover, his own telephone work was so stimulated by his recent trip, that he helped set the tone for even greater energy at the third session.

The telethons are at UJA headquarters, 150 Beverley St., from 5.30 to 9 p.m. "Some of the participants get so enthused, they'd stay even later if we'd let them," according to Zelda Lootsteen, the UJA professional who does much of the "behind-the-scenes" work.

"Since these people usually come directly from work, we start them off with a good, hot meal. We can't let them call too late into the night because it's not right and also because most have put in a long, hard day before they came here," she said.

Telethon participants range in age from the young men of the Leonard Mayzel Lodge, whose president is Lloyd Segal, to 93-year-young James Blugerman. Some of the men are accompanied by their wives, who get just as involved. Approximately 25-30 people have shown up each time.

These "sons of the covenant" are truly committed to the "contract" they've made and rarely permit ill health or far distance to keep them away for long. Mendel Strul, of the Wilson Heights Chapter, for example, is working on a construction project out of town. But he drives back to Toronto in time to take part in the telethon and then returns to work the following morning.

Moe Freedman had to take some time off last year due to ill health, but is back for the current campaign — as devoted as ever. Bernard Noyek is ill, but has sent word that he'll return to UJA as soon as he's recuperated.

Some of the men attend just one or two telethons, giving others the opportunity to take over their phones. But David Izen, UJA chairman of the Eglinton lodge, a newcomer to this event, has been among those who have shown up all three evenings.

The prospective donors who are phoned are those who are not included in the regular business and professional divisions. Many are retired and others are in small business.

Each lodge elects its own UJA chairman, who arranges for the members to get involved in this activity.

Although the telethons are primarily a B'nai B'rith project, the Ajalon Lodge, an independent Zionist group, has also participated this year. Under UJA chairman, Dr. Philip H. Martin, the Ajaloners have joined the others in a spirit of communal commitment.

The members of the Yorkdale Lodge and Simon Chouchan of La Fraternite, a French-speaking lodge, have gone even above and beyond the "calling duty" — they have volunteered to do additional phoning from home. Chouchan is an Egyptian Jew whose entire family resides in Israel.

Joe Shabes has been active in UJA for more than 10 years. He is particularly proud of the record of his own lodge, Yorkdale, for the support given to the campaign.

He has expressed great pleasure that young men, including his son, are involved this year. "It's very important to bring young people in," he believes.

As if to underline this continuity of purpose, Shabes doesn't limit his own activities to the telethons. He always has "a few cards in my pocket" and calls on donors whenever the opportunity arises.

Last year there were nine telethons. Shabes isn't certain yet what the grand total will be for the current campaign, but promises "we'll be back to do the cleanup work in January, February and whenever else we're needed."

Ontario info centre opens

TORONTO — Industry and Tourism Minister Larry Grossman and Minister of Government Services Douglas Wiseman recently opened a new Ontario travel information centre at the Eaton Centre.

"About a million people a week visit the Eaton Centre . . . that's more visitors than any other attraction in Ontario," says Grossman. "Not to be here would be to miss a great opportunity."

There are eight Ontario travel information centres across the province where visitors can obtain maps, parks information, brochures on lodges, resorts and hotels, ministry of industry and tourism publications and information on local events and attractions. All centres are accessible to handicapped people and some offer information in French, German and Japanese.

The new one in Eaton Centre is a "gateway" centre providing tourist information on the whole province and is the only travel information centre in a pedestrian mall.

A display on skiing, sponsored by the Ontario Ski Resort Association, is featured at present in the new centre and will be followed by other exhibits in the future.

To draw attention to the delights of winter holidays in Ontario, the ministry of industry and tourism has issued several special publications:

• "Winter Events" lists activities all over the province from December to March.

• "The Winter Book" gives details on locations for winter sports; and,

• a full-color "Ontario — yours to discover!" magazine covers all events in the province this winter and will be inserted in major newspapers later in the season.

Tourism is Ontario's second-ranking industry and is expected to rank first by the end of the century. There was a 27% increase in Ontario tourism during the first nine months of this year compared to the same period in 1979.

Tourism information is available by telephone at (416) 965-4008. Outside the Toronto area, call collect.

Soviet immigrants will be interviewed on CBC radio show

TORONTO —

"Open Circuit," a program dealing with the settlement of Soviet immigrants in Canada during the past several years, will be broadcast by CBC Radio [740 AM] on Sunday, Feb. 1, beginning at 9.04 p.m.

The program will interview many recent Jewish newcomers to Ontario and other parts of Canada and will discuss the hardships of leaving the land of one's birth for a new home thousands of miles away without the benefit of money, a common language, friends or employment.

The producers of the program have included a segment dealing with the historical background of this modern-day exodus, focusing on why the Jews left and how the Soviet Union treats those who wish to live as Jews or who differ from the Communist-imposed norm.

A good number of shining lights

Some of the outstanding Jews in sports in 1980

sports scene

By MURRAY MALKIN

Well sports fans, the 1980 season has come to an end and it's time for the first annual Sports Scene selection of the best Jewish athletes and sports connected officials.

There aren't too many of our boys and girls involved in sports in the top ranks, but it seems that those who make it are stars in more than the hearts of their fellow Jews.

So, here's the goods.

Steve Stone, is the winner for baseball. He gets the award hands down because, after all, the pitcher for the Baltimore Orioles, of the American League, was the winner of the Cy Young Award, an honor which goes to the top pitcher in each league.

Norm Sherry is the top Jewish coach in baseball. He is one of many credited with helping lead the Montreal Expos to their outstanding season.

Harold Solomon is one of the finest tennis players in the world. He's just one of many Jewish players making a name for himself in tennis, but at the present time he's ranked seventh in the world and there aren't any Jewish players who are better.

Amy Alcott gets our award for golf. The 24-year-old golf star captured first place in the U.S. Women's Open in 1980. She also won three other major events. To cap off her excellent year, Alcott was awarded the Vare Trophy, a prize which goes to the female golfer with the lowest scoring average in the Ladies Professional Golf Association tour.

Amy played 101 rounds in 28 events and shot an average score of 71.51, the second lowest LPGA average score in history.

Mike Veisor, of the Hartford Whalers, of the National Hockey League, is the top Jewish goaltender in hockey. It doesn't hurt matters that he's the only Jewish goalie in shinny.

Mark Laskin, who was a member of the Canadian team that captured a gold medal at the alternate Olympics in Amsterdam, gets the award for show jumping.

Avi Cohen, a member of the Liverpool soccer squad, is the nominee for English football. Readers may recall that Cohen caused quite a stir earlier in the year when he played soccer on Yom Kippur.

Denise Robertson, who only weighs 102 lbs. and who has lifted 275 lbs., is the winner in the power lifting category. Presently, Robertson is thought to be the fourth strongest woman in the world.

Sherry Bassin, the general manager of the Oshawa Generals, is Sports Scene's selection for minor hockey officials. He doesn't get as much publicity as the management in the NHL, but there's nobody who works any harder to promote hockey than Bassin.

Marty Hogan, who is often considered the finest racquetball player in the world, is a natural for that sport.

Stu Goldstein, of New York, makes the Jewish all-star team for squash. Goldstein is number two in North America and if it wasn't for the king of squash, Sharif Khan, Goldstein would have an easy hold on first place honors.

As for sports commentators, it's probably a tie between **Howard Cosell** and **Mel Allen.**

And finally, behind most good athletes there's a good trainer. The nomination for top Jewish trainer goes to 28-year-old **Barry Weinberg,** assistant trainer for the New York Yankees.

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Sidney Greenberg, of the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association, passes on word that $30,000 has been collected through the sale of draw tickets to help send Canadian athletes to the 1981 Maccabiah Games. Greenberg said the group is hoping to raise $250,000.

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"The First Fifty: A Nostalgic Look at the Brier," by Doug Maxwell and Friends, is must reading for anybody who has ever been to a Brier or has followed curling.

The book is available from Canadian Curling News, 234 Eglinton Ave. E., suite 303, Toronto, for $9.95 plus 75 cents for postage and handling.

Having grown up in Winnipeg, I'm familiar with the standing joke that in Winnipeg there are eight months of winter and four months of bad curling.

Ski resorts were too far away, hockey was too dangerous, because in Winnipeg hockey is played for keeps, so the natural sport for a chicken like myself was curling. Not to say that all curlers are chicken . . . after all it's probably one of the greatest games ever invented with the top curlers being excellent and courageous athletes.

But back to Maxwell's book. It really does capture the fun that surrounds the Brier week. There is talk about the parties, the pranks, the camaraderie and yes, even about the curling. It's a fun week . . . a week that is filled with highlights and moving moments.

Brier week can put a lump in the throat of even a Jewish boy when the pipers pipe the curlers on to the ice and Maxwell and his friends, such as Jack Matheson, Bob Picken and Cactus Jack Wells do an excellent job in making a reader want to forget about going to Florida during the winter months and switch those thoughts to spending a week at the Brier.

UJA MISSION REPORT

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Jewish Home for the Aged holds emotional ground breaking ceremony

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — Close to 200 people splashed through the mud of a new building site and stood in driving wind and rain to watch a frail little lady in a wheelchair be the first to wield the ceremonial gold shovel in the recent ground-breaking ceremony for the Hamilton Jewish Home for the Aged.

It was an emotional occasion for Irene Benario, 78, and Birdie Smurlick, who followed with the second shovel, widows of two men, Ludwig Benario and Sam Smurlick, who had worked and fought long and hard for this moment, but who did not live to share it.

Bad weather forced the Sunday afternoon ceremony — attended by city, regional and government officials and dignitaries and leading members of the Jewish community — to move indoors to a nearby school for speeches and refreshments.

It was a "simcha, an occasion of happiness," president of the home, Lewis S. Ross, told the assembled guests as he explained that the building would not be the nursing home originally envisaged when proposals were first made about 10 years ago, but rather an apartment complex, "with all the necessary support facilities."

In the five years since the project was officially announced, plans have undergone numerous changes and "studies have indicated that what is really needed is a place to take in people who require a minimum of support" and where they can remain independent.

"We intend to keep them upright as long as possible," Ross said. He announced that a fund raising campaign will commence May 1.

The building, designed by architect Michael Torsney and to be constructed by local builder Lou Fuss, who built the three larger Hamilton synagogues, will be a 40-unit apartment building.

A resident caretaker will be on call 24 hours and nursing and medical care will be readily available; a central dining room will provide kosher meals and there will be lounges for entertaining and social activities.

The main floor will be an open concept for the moment, said secretary Sheila Burman, who has just been appointed administrator of the home.

"The idea is to wait until we know where people will want to sit before we put up the walls," she explained and, similarly, the basement will remain wide open for the time being.

Newly elected Hamilton Mayor Bill Powell was "sure that if this home matches all the other efforts (by the Jewish community) it will be number one." While regional chairman Anne Jones likened the ceremony to the "flashed flame of love and caring." Beaming happily, Norman Bennett, president of the Hamilton Jewish Federation, was "grateful that this day has finally arrived."

Dr. Stuart Smith, leader of the Ontario Liberal Party and MPP for West Hamilton, where the home is located, brought greetings on behalf "of all the people of the provincial legislature" and assured those present that the project has the full support of all provincial parties.

Representing the federal government, Liberal MP for West Hamilton, Dr. Stanley Hudecki, handed over a letter of commitment from the Canada Housing and Mortgage Corporation indicating its assistance for the project, and commended the Jewish community for "having contributed so much to the health and prosperity of this country."

Federal Housing Minister Paul Cosgrove was unable to be present, but among those attending the ceremony were representatives of the Health Council, CHMC, Ward 1 aldermen Paul Drage and Peter Peterson, Dr. Ronald Bain (medical director of St. Peter's Geriatric Hospital), architects Michael Torsney and Fernando Fabbiano, Rabbis Bernard Baskin and Israel Silverman, and Samuel Soifer, HJF executive director and Jewish Community Centre director Sam Brownstone.

Winnipeg endorses Rights Charter

(Cont'd. from page 1)

ing these democratic bases "an entrenched bill of rights does not subvert a legislature. It supports a legislature.

"A legislature without an entrenched Charter," Matas added, "is free to pass any law, no matter how arbitrary. The courts, with a Charter, are not free to do whatever they want . . .

"The extreme caution the courts have shown with our legislated Bill of Rights is one more reason we need entrenchment," he declared, in reference to the Diefenbaker Bill of Rights.

Responding to an argument about totalitarian states with entrenched charters, Matas commented: "A bill of rights facade slapped on to a totalitarian structure will not change that structure. A bill of rights added to a democratic structure will strengthen that structure."

Matas argued that Canada has not done well until now in protecting rights without an entrenched Charter. He cited past laws against "naturalized Canadian Chinese (who) could not employ white females;" against Hutterites denied the right to purchase land for their colonies; and against the Jehovah's witnesses, denying them the right to distribute their religious pamphlets in public.

He also mentioned the Quebec Padlock Law and the violation of rights of Japanese Canadians in World War II.

Matas urged entrenchment of the Charter of Rights to make the suspension of rights more difficult. He noted that Canada "has committed itself, through the International Civil and Political Covenant, to respect, even in times of emergency, certain fundamental rights." He pointed outr that Manitoba and all the other provinces, together with the federal government had "authorized Canada to sign the covenant."

On the issue of "parliamentary sovereignty" which has been strongly argued by Premier Lyon, David Matas said: "The reasons for its glorification have passed" because it was only important to "control the Crown," which is "no longer a power in Canada in its own right . . .

"Parliament without an entrenched Charter," he added, "is subject to the unchecked control of the government . . . Except in cases of minority government, it is the government that rules, not the members of Parliament."

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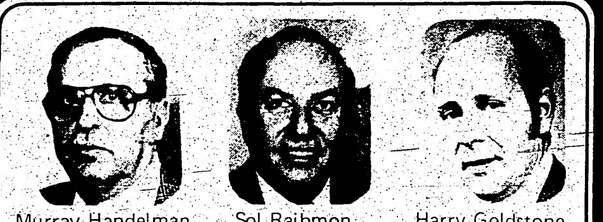

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